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OTTAWA TO TEST THE NATAL ACT

Instructions Said to Have Been
Sent to Department of
Justice's Agent

WILL NOW GO TO COURTS

Constitutionality of the Measure
Will Be Decided By
the Judges

It is stated that instructions have been wired from Ottawa to the agent for the Dominion department of justice in this city to take habeas corpus proceedings in any attempt made by the provincial government to enforce the recently enacted Natal act.

In this manner the constitutionality of the act will be tested.

It is stated on good authority that the federal government will disallow the act, but the latter action is to prevent any trouble arising out of the attempt of the province to bar Asiatics.

Hon. W. J. Bowser stated last evening that the province would welcome having the matter referred to the courts. This would settle for all time the provincial rights in the matter.

W. H. Langley is the local agent of the department of justice. He stated last evening that he received no instructions to act in the matter, and without specific advice to that effect he would take no action on behalf of the Dominion government.

He could not say whether the Dominion agent in Vancouver, where the law has been enforced in several instances, had received any such instructions.

Dispatch From Ottawa.

The dispatch in full follows:

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—It was learned this afternoon that the federal authorities will disallow the British Columbia Natal act. In the meantime instructions have been wired the agent of the justice department on the Pacific coast that if any attempt is made under the provincial law to deny admission to Japanese immigrants he is to take habeas corpus proceedings at once to contest the constitutionality of the act.

Officers Appointed.

The following have been appointed by the local government officers for carrying out the provisions of the Natal act:

Superintendent of Provincial Police F. S. Hussey, Victoria.

Constable W. L. Eaton, Victoria.

Chief Constable Colin S. Campbell, Vancouver.

Constable John Munro, Vancouver.

Chief Constable F. Stanley Spain, New Westminster.

Constable A. W. Lane, Mission.

Constable George Hutchinson, Douglas.

Regulations Issued.

The following provisions of the act is contained in the issue of the British Columbia Gazette of yesterday:

His honor the lieutenant-governor in council has been pleased to make the following regulations for the better carrying out of the provisions of the British Columbia immigration act, 1908:

Regulations.

1. When an officer examines a person whom he shall suspect of being a "prohibited immigrant," he shall first ascertain whether such person is exempt from the provisions of the act as provided for in Section 3, and if the officer determines that such person is exempt, he shall issue to him a certificate.

2. If the officer determines that such person is not exempt, he shall then ascertain whether such person is coming into the province for the purpose of permanent residence, or is merely passing through the province

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while travelling to some other country or some other province of Canada.

If the officer determines that such person is a traveler, he shall, upon production of such person of his ticket to a destination outside of the province or other satisfactory evidence, issue to such person a certificate.

If an intending immigrant is neither exempt under section 3 of this act, nor a traveler, the officer shall apply the educational test as provided for in section 3 of the act, and if such person complies with the requirements of said section, the officer shall issue to such person a certificate.

The certificate mentioned in the preceding three paragraphs shall be in the following form:

"Province of British Columbia. "British Columbia Immigration Act, 1908.

"This is to certify that....., of..... aged..... years, by trade or calling a....., is a fit and proper person to be received as an immigrant into British Columbia.

"Dated at....., this..... day of..... 1908.

"An Immigration Officer."

If the officer determines that a person is not exempt from the provisions of the act, is not a traveler, and cannot comply with the educational test, as provided for in section 4 of the act, he shall prevent such person from entering the province, or, if such a person is found within the province without a certificate of exemption, he shall proceed as provided for in section 5 of the act.

Any officer may take such steps as he deems necessary to satisfy himself that a person admitted into the province as a traveler leaves the province for his destination without unnecessary delay.

All officers acting under the provisions of the act shall make a return to the superintendent of provincial police on the last day of each month of all certificates issued under the act during the month.

Forms of certificate and return will be supplied on application to the superintendent of provincial police.

By Command.

HENRY ESSON YOUNG,
Provincial Secretary.

GERMANY BREAKS WITH OTHER POWERS

Agrees to Turkish Control of
Foreign Gendarmerie in
Macedonia

St. Petersburg, Feb. 13.—The Novoe Vremya publishes an article dealing with the breaking up of the concert of powers hitherto enjoyed in pressing for the porte's consent to the introduction of judicial, financial and administrative reforms in Macedonia.

At a conference of the ambassadors in Constantinople this week, says the Novoe Vremya, called for the purpose of affixing ambassadorial signatures to a joint note with reference to judicial reforms which have been the subject of negotiations for the past twelve months. Ambassador Marshall Von Bleberstein made the startling announcement that Germany declined to proceed further in company with the powers in this matter. Instead, Germany proposed to abandon the note, agreeing with the Turkish counter-proposition, by which Turks instead of Europeans should be appointed inspectors of courts, in return for which the porte would consent to extend the mandates for European gendarmes to March of this year.

The paper interprets this action on the part of Germany to mean the collapse of the entire Murtzeg programme, and states that it was due to secret treaties already concluded between Austria-Hungary, Germany and Turkey by which Germany obtains long-sought concessions and guarantees for the Bagdad railway and Austria gets the Novi-Bazaar railroad line and the exclusive right to build a railway in the vilayets of Skupz and Salonic.

Baron Von Bleberstein's announcement, says the Novoe Vremya, has been communicated to the home government, and is expected to be the turning point for a new grouping of the powers in the nearest east.

London, Feb. 13.—The foreign office

has been advised by Sir N. B. O'Connor, the British ambassador at Constantinople, that Germany has decided to agree to the Turkish proposals placing the foreign gendarmerie in Macedonia under the control of Turkey. This statement was made by Baron Von Bleberstein, the German diplomatic representative, at the last meeting of the foreign ambassadors to Turkey. No confirmation has been received of the report that Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey have entered upon secret treaties.

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WINNIPEG'S FINANCES

Council Considers Ways and Means
Providing for Immediate
Expenses

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—A secret meeting of the city council was held for the purpose of discussing the civic finances and hearing the answers to the city's proposal that the banks should collectively advance \$2,250,000 to pay off the city's overdraft with the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and allow sufficient money for current expenditures for the year 1908, or until such time as the city taxes were collected.

Mayor Ashdown further announced that he believed the Bank of Commerce would be willing to carry over the city for the present, or at least until the city had made financial arrangements.

The question as to whether the bonds should be advertised for sale or not was left open and will be decided by the committee. The council is adverse to waiting for the arrangement for the selling of stock to be completed before placing debentures on the market.

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McPHILLIPS' BILL IN COMMITTEE

Measure Providing For Safeguarding Factory Employees Under Consideration

RAILWAY BILL REPORTED

Preamble To Bill Incorporating Vancouver & Nicola Valley Ry. Passes Committee

The legislature was occupied yesterday with the consideration in committee of the bill entitled the Factories Employees Protection act.

A considerable amount of routine business was transacted and, in spite of the fact that there were numerous debates upon technicalities, the various clauses of the bill were passed in rapid order.

The bill will probably be reported tomorrow and given its third reading. Several amendments will be brought in. J. H. Hawthornthwaite (Nanaimo) has given notice of his intention to move that the working hours of laundries shall be from 7 a. m. to 5 p. m., and some little debate upon this and other proposals is expected.

Little of interest is expected in the legislature until the budget is brought down, which it now appears will be improbable before Monday, February 17th.

The speaker took the chair at 2:30 o'clock.

Prayers by Rev. George Kinney.

First Readings

On motion of Mr. Davey (Victoria) the bill to amend the Municipal Clauses act was read the first time.

Coal Regulations Act

On Mr. Hawthornthwaite's motion re Coal Mines Regulation act being read on the order paper, Hon. Mr. McBride: I would like if the house consents to have this matter set down for Monday next.

The motion was allowed to stand over.

Factory Act in Committee

The house went into committee on Mr. McPhillips' bill for the protection of persons employed in factories.

On sub-section b of section 2, Mr. Brewster (Alberni) inquired whether the rather elaborate wording of this clause could be made to include fish and salmon canneries, if related to the preparation of any substance, and surely salmon was a substance. He wished to know whether this language could be so construed as to mean salmon canneries. He did not think that this was the intention.

Mr. McPhillips: If the hon. gentleman thinks that it will cover canneries let him move an amendment. But I do not think that it does cover canneries. In fact I am quite satisfied that it does not in a reasonable construction of the act.

In reply to Mr. Oliver, Mr. McPhillips: If an appeal be made to me, such a wide construction, as is advanced, is not the construction which in a court of law would be placed upon it. When the committee learns that in following this wording we are acting in accordance with excellent precedents, furnished by similar legislation elsewhere, what are you going to do? Evolve an act which is not founded upon precedent at all? Or shall we turn to the best authorities on the subject and find our act upon them?

Mr. Oliver maintained that the phrasing was so wide that anything and everything could be included.

Mr. McPhillips: Well, then, move an amendment. I have most carefully framed the act, and have followed the best precedents. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver: Don't get excited! As it stands, it includes every industry in British Columbia.

Wants Canners Exempt.

Mr. Brewster: In order to make it clear, I beg to move that after the word "place" the words "not including salmon canneries," shall be added.

The methods employed in running canneries in British Columbia, he continued, differ entirely from those which prevail in any other industry. The salmon harvest is very short, sometimes lasting only a week. It is a spasmodic industry; and as the hours of labor are limited in another part of the bill, if these were strictly enforced, and as I presume that the act includes Indians, it would simply render it impossible for any canning company to put up its pack. This work is done in spurts, and if the people engaged in it are tied down to eight or nine hours a day, the companies would be put out of business altogether. Moreover, the labor which is principally employed in this industry is Indian. These people do not attend schools, and it would be a hardship on them, as well as on the companies, if this act were applied to them.

This matter will receive further consideration.

Mr. Oliver Resents.

Mr. Oliver somewhat warmly represented the remarks of the member for Nanaimo, in respect to the hostility shown by Liberal members to this bill. It was a gross slander.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite—"In a matter of this sort, Mr. Chairman, it is absolutely impossible to slander the Liberal members of this house (Laughter). They are simply merciless when it comes to the employment of women and children. This is in accordance with their general policy on this subject (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Brewster—"The effect of the act, in respect to these women and children, would be rather a hardship than a benefit.

Mr. McPhillips—"I would advise the hon. members for Alberni to let sleeping dogs lie." I, for my part, do not think for a moment that it includes salmon canneries, but at the same time if these are singled out in the act as an exception, it may prove very difficult to keep its provisions from being applied to them.

Although, speaking for myself I do not think that they should apply; and further speaking for myself, I do not think that they do apply.

Mr. Brewster—"The effect of the act, in respect to these women and children, would be rather a hardship than a benefit.

Mr. McPhillips—"I propose to move an amendment later on in order to have this matter settled, and made perfectly clear. It is extremely touching to observe the keen anxiety shown by the hon. members for Alberni for these poor Indians in his fear, lest they should not be able to make enough a day; and be in consequence, enabled to live in idleness for the rest of the year (Hear, hear.).

The fact, however, is that his apprehensions lie in directly the opposite direction. The hon. member does not really care a continental about them. The only desire of these companies is to obtain the utmost possible surplus out of their labors, and they would work them for 25 hours in the day were this possible. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Brewster—"I beg leave to withdraw the amendment.

Leave was granted.

Employment of Young Girls.

Mr. McPhillips proposed to change the word "fourteen" to "fifteen" in subsection E. of clause 3, defining the exact meaning in this act of the expression "young girl." In order to make it conform with the preceding sub-section (d), where the word "child," as used in this act, is made to mean a girl under the age of 15.

And further observed in regard to the general intention of the bill, that it was in the main, intended to deal with the protection of life and limb, as well as of children and women, and besides making proper and full provision for sanitary regulations. (Hear, hear.)

On clause 4: No child or children shall be employed in any factory.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite: I beg to move that sub-section (a) of section 4 be struck out, as there is no earthly reason why children should be employed in these places. (Hear, hear.)

The clause was passed subject to amendment at a future time.

Questions Power to Pass.

Subsection A, of clause 2, runs as follows:

(a) Any building, workshop, structure or premises of the description mentioned in schedule A to this act, in which five or more persons are employed, together with such other building, structure or premises as the Lieutenant-governor in council from time to time adds to the said schedule;

On clause 64 in the department of the bill which concerns penalties and prosecution. Mr. Henderson (Yale) raised the point of order, under No. 43 of the rules of the house, that the bill had not been properly introduced. As it affected matters of trade, it should have been submitted by message from his honor the Lieutenant-governor.

Mr. McPhillips most seriously questioned the relevancy of the objection.

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Mr. McPhillips: Undoubtedly we have no jurisdiction in respect to questions directly affecting trade and commerce, but I cannot see any ground whatever for the objection that has been raised by the member for Yale.

Sub-section (a) is as follows:

(a) Any factory in which the provisions of this section are not complied with by the employer shall be deemed to be kept unlawfully so that the health of any child therein employed is likely to be permanently injured and such employer shall, because thereof, be deemed to be guilty of a contravention of the provisions of this act.

This sub-section was allowed to stand over.

Section 5 makes the following provision:

The Lieutenant-governor may from time to time by order in council, notice of which shall be published in the British Columbia Gazette, prohibit the employment of girls under the age of eighteen years and of boys under the age of sixteen years in factories, the work in which is deemed by the Lieutenant-governor in council from time to time adds to the said schedule;

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Mr. Oliver: The speaker is summoned.

After some further consideration the speaker was summoned, and the question was submitted to him for his ruling.

Mr. McPhillips: The point is raised, sir, that as this bill deals with matters connected with trade and commerce, it should have been introduced by message and passed in the usual way through the committee of the whole house.

Mr. Henderson called attention to the fact that the point was raised under Rule 42.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite: It is simply an effort, sir, to destroy the bill, as we have clearly nothing to do with matters affecting trade and commerce.

Mr. Henderson: It should have been brought in by message.

Mr. McPhillips: I do not believe that the hon. gentleman can be at all serious in the construction which he has taken and its only effect, if he should succeed, will be to retard the passage of this most useful and most necessary measure.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite: It is true that measures are enacted in the work of producing something but until the things are actually produced they cannot be reasonably considered to come within the definition of a subject of trade. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Oliver: Of course we cannot deal here with matters connected with trade and commerce as far as the B. N. A. Act, or the like, are concerned.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite: It is not yet clear the importance of this bill, this is a measure which only deals with matters as it were of mere police protection in much the same way in which protection is given to persons who are employed in coal mines, and as for instance fire escapes are ordered through legislation to be placed upon every house of a certain height. The general intent of this act is to prevent the affording of protection to certain classes in the community, and to provide much needed protection for those people who are employed in factories in this province.

I will give my decision on the point, which has been raised by the hon. member, on the assembling of the house tomorrow afternoon.

Liberals Are Jealous.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite: This rule 42 is like the rule 15, which was raised in my case—no good. (Some laughter.)

The shops regulation act is precisely similar to this bill. In its spirit and in its intention it is not good. (Some laughter.)

Mr. Brewster: I understand that the members on this side of the house should assist and not impede the passage of this important measure.

Mr. Oliver: You will get all the assistance possible from this side of the house.

Mr. McPhillips: It does not at all look like it. (Hear, hear.)

The committee rose and reported progress.

Rule 43 reads as follows: "No bill relating to trade or the alteration of the laws concerning trade, is to be brought into the house until the propositions shall have been first considered in a committee of the whole house and agreed unto by the house."

Reports V. & N. Valley Bill.

Mr. Ross, Fernie, chairman of the committee on railways, reported favorably on the bill to incorporate the Vancouver and Nicola Valley Railway company.

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The above resolution was unanimously passed at the regular monthly meeting of the board of trade held yesterday afternoon in the board room when there was a large attendance of members, all of whom were emphatic in their opinion that with the contemplated improvements to be made to the city's water supply the continuance of the increased rates would be a hardship and wholly unwarranted.

Committee Reports

The subject of fire insurance rates was introduced by the reading of a report prepared by the special committee appointed to investigate and report to the board. The report, which was unanimously adopted was as follows:

February 12, 1908.

Gentlemen.—Your committee appointed to consider the question of fire insurance premiums, especially with reference to the extra premium of 30 per cent which has been applied by the insurance companies on all risks within certain areas, begs to report as follows:

Your committee has obtained evidence in regard to the average fire losses within the city—the fire protection at present provided, the improvements in fire protection which are desirable, and the saving in insurance which will result from the provision of additional fire protection.

The committee finds the following facts:

That the fire losses within the city limits during the last 21 years average \$34,698, and during the last nine years, \$46,300.

That within the last two years the fire department has been put on a fully paid basis but that there has been no material addition to the plant during the last eight years.

That there is not sufficient water available in the mains to cope with a serious conflagration; that the distribution is faulty and that there are not sufficient hydrants.

That the assessed value of improvements within the fire limits is \$2,800,000, and the assessed value of improvements outside the fire limits, \$5,426,850, a total assessed value of improvements, subject to fire risks within the city limits, of \$8,226,850, to which should be added value of contents making a total value subject to fire risks of over \$12,000,000.

Some Data Lacking

Your committee has endeavored to obtain from the insurance companies the total amount of premiums to which the extra premium of 30 per cent has been applied, but so far these figures have not been received, and many of the agents seem strangely reluctant to endeavor to place this useful information at the disposal of your committee.

On the evidence before them your committee beg to submit the following conclusions:

That the fire insurance business of Victoria has been profitable to the insurance companies during the last 21 years.

That there is, however, a deficiency in fire protection which might lead to a serious conflagration.

That if necessary improvements are made the gain to the citizen by reduced fire risks and premiums should exceed \$30,000 per annum, a sum equivalent to the interest on a loan of over \$600,000.

That it is in the interest of the city as a whole to provide the most efficient fire protection practicable.

That in the opinion of the committee a high pressure system, based on a duplicate source of power, extending to Humboldt street on the one side, and to the area covered by saw mills on the other, is the one which will give the best fire protection, which, if adapted by the city, should result in a reduction of fire risks fully warranting the probable cost of installation.

Committee's Conclusions

T. W. Paterson, in discussing the report, stated that a great deal of time had been spent on the subject, and the reports of Arthur L. Adams, the city's water expert, and Robert Howe, municipal engineer of the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association, had been examined, and the committee concurred with the conclusions arrived at in these reports. It had been decided that the only adequate system was a high pressure one, as it was not thought that a gravity system by itself would give the necessary fire protection.

While a reservoir, if kept full, would afford a sufficient supply to cope with any ordinary fire, if there was no objection to connecting the gravity system with a salt water system, then in case of the failure of the one the other would be ready for instant use. Mr. Paterson claimed that the increase in insurance rates was not justified, as the fire risk in Victoria today is less than it was two years ago as many buildings which constituted a menace from the standpoint of fire have been removed, and the district burned out last July, which had always been a serious menace, was now no longer a point of danger.

Ald. F. A. Pauline, president of the board, pointed out that the committee had been appointed to consider the question of the extra thirty per cent, increase, but in its finding it had not expressed itself on that point. It was evident from the facts secured by the committee that the fire insurance companies had done a most profitable business in Victoria during the past twenty-one years, and there did not seem to be any apparent justification for the increase in rates. If that increase had been levied as a spur or incentive to make the city improve the fire fighting system and water supply, it should now be removed, since the city was now doing everything possible in that regard.

Unfair Increase in Rates

Montreal, Feb. 13.—Rodoule Robidoux of St. Jovite, who, with his wife, became lost last week in a snowstorm, and was exposed to storm and cold for two days and nights, is dead. Mrs. Robidoux died on Monday. Robidoux was 76 years old and his wife 66.

Funds for Missions Short.

Toronto, Feb. 13.—Rev. Dr. McLaren, secretary for home missions of the Presbyterian church, says that only \$55,000 of the \$180,000 required had been collected up to Saturday last, leaving the sum of \$86,000 to be collected in the remaining three weeks.

Unfair Increase in Rates

C. F. Todd considered that the insurance companies were in a position to dictate to those doing business with them, but it seemed unfair that the rates should have been increased nearly

50 per cent, and then a comparatively short time afterwards an additional thirty per cent advance should be made in the downtown section of the city. It looked as if the companies had anticipated the improvements to the water supply, and would take off the thirty per cent advance and still retain the first advance of fifty per cent. The companies had a monopoly of the business, as owners could not as a rule take their own risks, but he thought a very strong protest should be made against the continuance of the thirty per cent increase, and that when the city's water supply had been improved as contemplated this should be taken into account in the readjustment of rates. The city was considering the installation of a salt water system for fire fighting purposes, but Mr. Todd considered it would be only wise before such a system was installed, to come to an understanding with the companies as to what reduction would be made should these improvements be put in. There was an objection to the use of salt water, in that it would injure stocks, and the fire insurance board would doubtless take the position, that what would be saved by extra appliances would be lost on the stocks.

Mr. Pauline said it was understood that salt water would be only used in cases of serious conflagrations.

It was pointed out that Mr. Howe, in his report, had stated that it did not matter what water was used so long as there was lots of it, but with a reservoir of the capacity of 15,000,000 gallons, there would be sufficient for all ordinary fires.

Warning to the City

Ald. Hall stated that it was distinctly distasteful to the local agents to have the rates increased, but this increase had been made on a scientific basis. The companies were apprehensive of a general conflagration, after their experience of the last two big fires here, and the raise in the rates had been a warning to the city to improve its system. The history of life insurance showed that no city made the necessary improvements to its fire fighting system until forced to do so. The salt water system was no new one, and many of the large cities in the south were spending millions to install such supplementary systems. Such a system was urgently required here as to go to Goldstream or Sooke he would require several years. Mr. Howe was a man of repose in his profession, and he had advocated the salt water system.

The plan before the city council was not as extensive as that proposed by Mr. Howe. It would cost about \$65,000, whereas Mr. Howe's plan would call for an outlay of about \$250,000. Mr. Hall stated that he had forwarded the plans of the system as the city proposed to install, to the head office of his companies, to ascertain their opinion of its effectiveness and what the probable result would be in the matter of rates, should such a system be installed, and as soon as he received a reply he would submit it to the board of trade.

The sooner the reduction was made the better pleased would be the local fire insurance agents. The advance in rates, not only in Victoria, but all over the continent, had been the result of the experience of the companies in the last few years. There was a certain base rate applicable to all sections, and this was added to or reduced according to circumstances.

Salt Water Systems, Elsewhere

C. H. Lugrin called attention to a recent statement made by the New York state supervisor of insurance to the effect that over 100 cities in the British dominions were considering the installation of just such salt water systems.

Col. E. G. Prior advocated having two strings to the bow. When the Smith's Hill reservoir was erected it might answer the purpose but circumstances might arise when that source could not be used and he thought it was well worth the money to have a second system such as a salt water system.

The government should be approached for assistance. The city could do nothing as the road would be outside the limits of Victoria. Mr. Marpole had been seen and he promised to give the matter early consideration. The secretary was instructed to draft a resolution endorsing the Mill Bay project and a copy of the resolution will be presented to the government at an early date.

Victoria County Boundaries

A. P. Luxton explained the need of an extension of the Victoria county boundaries.

This was a matter which had come before the council of the board last year and in view of the increasing trade between Victoria and the west coast and adjoining communities it is in the interests of the city to have the boundaries enlarged.

At the present time Victoria county lies south of a line from the head of Saanich inlet, running due west to the west coast.

All the rest of the island is in the county of Nanaimo.

He thought that the county of Victoria should be enlarged to include all of the island as far up as Chemainus and all the west coast as far north as Alberni.

This would leave Nanaimo, Sayward and Comox in the county of Nanaimo, practically giving the south half of the island to Victoria.

Last year a deputation from the board had waited upon the provincial government but it was then too late in the session and the government had stated that it could do what it could to forward the matter.

Would Enlarge City's Trade.

Mr. Luxton stated that anything that would enlarge the trade of the city was a matter of great importance. At present it took much time to ascertain the standing of merchants, say on the west coast, and it was necessary to go to Nanaimo for information. Again, supposing a judgment were obtained against a man residing in Nanaimo county, great delay was occasioned in getting a writ of execution and levying under it, while in cases where a debtor had to be examined it was necessary to go to Nanaimo. He could not be brought to Victoria.

On this question the following resolution, moved by Mr. Luxton and seconded by Alderman Hall, was passed:

"That in view of the recent large increase in trade between Victoria and the west coast of the island and between Victoria and the adjoining districts, it is of the utmost importance that the county of Victoria should be enlarged in accordance with the suggestions made by the council of last year's board and already submitted to the attorney-general and to the members of the board."

Memorial Tablets

Pelkin, Feb. 13.—Six bronze tablets from the Rock Island arsenal, Illinois, were today placed on the monuments that have been erected at Tientsin in memory of the American soldiers and sailors who lost their lives in the Boxer outbreak of 1900.

Steamship Service.

St. John, N. B., Feb. 12.—It is announced here that within a month the new service between St. John, Boston and Havana will be started. The service will be monthly at the start and one steamer will do the work for awhile.

Standard Oil Suit

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 12.—When a recess was taken this evening until tomorrow morning of the hearing for the taking of testimony in connection with the action brought by the United States government to dissolve the Standard Oil Co., of New Jersey, former State Senator Geo. Deam, of Cheshire, was on the stand. His testimony was to the effect that he secured a contract with the Standard Oil, and after buying oil was refunded the difference between the open and the contract price. The attorneys for both the government and the Standard Oil Company hope to conclude the hearing here as quickly as possible, as similar testimony is scheduled to be taken at Washington on February 24.

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FIRE PROTECTION

As we understand the matter of supplementary fire protection it stands in this way. The representative of the fire underwriters is satisfied that there cannot be adequate pressure for fire purposes from any source of supply other than the Goldstream watershed, unless a high-pressure pumping system is installed. Mr. Howe, who represented the underwriters, suggested a high-pressure system, which might perhaps cost as much as a quarter of a million dollars, and if this were provided he said that the insurance rates would be reduced. The city council is contemplating the installation of a high-pressure system, which may not cost even half as much as Mr. Howe's plan, but there is at present no guarantee that the insurance companies would be influenced by it to reduce the rates. The following seem to be the questions to be decided.

Is it necessary to have a high-pressure system?

Is it desirable to install such a system, even if there is no reduction in insurance rates?

Is it necessary to provide for a salt-water connection with such a system?

On the first point it may be said that the opinion of Mr. Howe is that even the proposed reservoir on Smith's Hill will not furnish sufficient pressure without a high-pressure pumping station.

On the second point it was well pointed out by Mr. Simon Leiser at the Board of Trade yesterday that a reduction of insurance rates is not the only thing to be thought of, but that the safety of the business section and its proper protection from the loss, which would result from a general conflagration, is of far greater importance.

In regard to a salt-water connection, this is only an additional protection. If the proposed reservoir could always be kept full and nothing should happen in case of a fire to the mains to shut off the supply, there might be plenty of fresh water for nearly any crisis. But what ought to be guarded against is, first, the possibility of a failure of the fresh water supply, and secondly, the occurrence of so serious a conflagration that every source of supply would have to be used.

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

The granting of old-age pensions may be now said to be a live issue in Canada. With the position taken by Mr. Fielding, Mr. Ralph Smith and some others there will be general agreement. If we are to have an old-age pension system, its application should be universal. The acceptance of a pension should not be made a badge of poverty. Mr. Fielding estimates that at \$3 per week such a system would call for an expenditure of \$40,000,000 annually, which is certainly a good deal of money, but it is to be borne in mind that it is money that would go directly into the pockets of the people. Therefore if some means can be devised to raise it without placing undue impositions upon business, the burden would not be felt by the people who paid the money. On the contrary, as a pension of \$3 per week would greatly reduce the taxes of the people for the support of the poor, and individuals from being called upon to contribute to the necessities of old people, there would be a lightening of burdens all round, as well as a great increase in the comfort of a large number of people. The proper source from which to collect the taxes necessary to supply the money necessary for the payment of these pensions, seems to us to be large estates and great accumulations of wealth; but whether or not the Dominion Parliament has the right to levy taxes of that kind is a question upon which there may be some doubt. The B. N. A. Act confers upon the local legislatures the exclusive power to make laws in relation to "direct taxation within the province in order to the raising of a revenue for provincial purposes." On the other hand the Dominion Parliament may make laws "for the peace, order and good government of Canada" and the Act declares that the specification of powers must not be taken to restrict the generality of the foregoing terms. The impression which the public has gathered from the manner in which the B. N. A. Act has been administered is that the Dominion Parliament may not levy a direct tax, but this does not necessarily follow from the language above quoted. It may be that Parliament has the right to levy direct taxes for any purposes rendered necessary for the promotion of the peace, order and good government of Canada. If this is correct, there would appear to be no insuperable difficulty in devising a plan whereby the accumulated

wealth of the country might be made to contribute to the pensioning of old people. A graded tax upon all estates, using the expression "estates" in its widest significance as applicable to property, would be a sound economic method of providing a pension fund. The wealth of the country ought to contribute directly to the support of those by whose labors it has been accumulated. Such an amount as Mr. Fielding suggests would not be burdensome if placed upon the shoulders of accumulated wealth. It would simply be a return to the responsibilities recognized in old feudal days, when the lords felt, and to a large degree discharged, the obligation to see that their poor retainers did not suffer from poverty. The only difference would be that it would crystallize in legislation a principle that ought to lie at the very base of our social structure, and make that compulsory, which the enlightenment of those days thought might be left to voluntary kindness. It would be a legislative recognition of the truth that the producer has rights in the products of his labor as well as the accumulator of such products. Old-age pensions, based upon such a principle, would be a long step in the direction of social progress.

NOT QUITE PARALLEL.

Mr. Joseph Martin is not wholly correct when he likens the position of lieutenant-governor to that of the King, and the reason is that he fails to take into account the fact that provincial legislatures have only a limited jurisdiction. What the Commons, Lords and King agree upon is law, and there is no power short of the sovereign people which can alter it, and even they must make the change through the medium of parliament. There never can be any question as to the constitutionality of an Act of the British Parliament; there can never be any question as to its interference with the powers of some paramount authority.

Of course Mr. Martin knows this as well as anybody; but in discussing the responsibility of the provincial ministry he loses sight of the fact that the legislature of a province is a statutory creation owing its existence to an Act of the British Parliament, and that its powers have been defined. One of the limitations upon its authority is the power vested in a lieutenant-governor to reserve assent to a Bill.

There could not possibly be such a reservation in the case of the British Parliament, for there is no one whose "pleasure" could be subsequently "signified." Hence British precedents and the rules of British parliamentary government apply to a province of Canada only, so far as they are not qualified by the provision referred to. We concede that even in the application of that provision the maxim that "the king can do no wrong" may be maintained. If a lieutenant-governor reserves a Bill, some one must assume the responsibility. We have shown in previous articles that the provincial ministers may not assume it, for if they could, it would be to enlarge their powers beyond what the principles of responsible government warrant. It must be assumed by the Dominion government. The principles of responsible government are fully satisfied if the minister states to the legislature that the Lieutenant-governor acted in pursuance of his duties as an officer of the Dominion government, and, on the principle that things must be presumed to have been regularly done until the contrary is shown, it may be assumed that such action was in pursuance of instructions. We are not now discussing any particular case, but only the application of the principles of responsible government to the conditions created by the British North America Act. As a vote of want of confidence in the federal government passed by a local legislature would be idle words, the only way in which such a body can effectively express its disapproval of a Lieutenant-governor's action, if done under instructions, is by re-enacting the reserved measure. If these views of the subject prevailed and were carefully observed it never would be necessary for any one to discuss the action of a Lieutenant-governor.

A PLEASING INCIDENT.

Quite in the ordinary course of preparation of the extracts from the files of the Colonist of forty years ago, there happened to be included among those which appeared in yesterday's issue this paragraph:

St. Valentine's Ball.—Miss Sophia Hill announces a ball on St. Valentine's evening at the Royal hotel. The occasion is rendered doubly interesting by the fact that the present is Leap year.

To the member of the staff who is in charge of that department of the paper, this was merely a paragraph, nothing more—a case of "a primrose by the river's brim, a yellow primrose was to him"—but to one reader of the Colonist it was of supreme importance, for it unlocked the floodgates of memory reaching back to that St. Valentine's eve forty years ago when Miss Sophia Hill, now Mrs. (Capt.) Rudlin had entertained her friends. And Mrs. Rudlin felt so pleased to be thus reminded so unexpectedly of the past, that she called at the Colonist yesterday to say so. And further to emphasize her satisfaction at what she interprets as quite a singular coincidence, she begged that the reportorial staff of the Colonist should accept the sum of twenty-five dollars and expend the same in the manner which pleased them most. After some consideration the staff have decided that the amount shall go towards the funds of the

Seamen's Institute, a most worthy institution, which we are informed stands badly in need of financial aid at this time. We feel that this disposition of Mrs. Rudlin's generous gift will complete the chain in what can only be termed an extremely pleasing incident, breaking the monotony of work on a daily newspaper. We are glad that we were able, all unconsciously though it was, to revive some pleasant memories in the mind of Mrs. Rudlin, and we congratulate that lady that she has lived to see reproduced, after a period of forty years, a newspaper item telling of an incident of her girlhood days. We trust that she may long enjoy good health in the city where for so many years she has been a most estimable resident.

MISTAKES CORRECTED.

Mrs. Markwell has been writing some very excellent things to the Manitoba Free Press about Victoria, and what she has said has been almost all highly complimentary. But in her latest letter that we have seen she makes some errors which ought to be corrected. We quote a paragraph:

Victoria newspapers are attacking Victoria for the exorbitant charges of everything from a spool of thread (10 cents) to a cord of wood (\$10); so I suppose it is not a breach of etiquette for a visitor within the gates to rise up and say "hear, hear!" The most glaring and absurd charges for rented houses are made; board, atcafes, public hotels and high-class residential hotels is beyond reach of any but the extremely wealthy class, and certain Victorians very plainly assert "we only want rich people to come in!" There used to be an old-fashioned second primer in my own school days which told of a little naughty boy and a jar of nuts. You recollect, the naughty boy grasped so many nuts he could not get his fist out of the jar, so had to let go and lose all. This story illustrates just what Victoria people are doing to-day!

Mrs. Markwell is not quite correct in saying that the Victoria newspapers are attacking the "exorbitant" charges made for certain necessary things in this city, and when she proceeds to quote prices she is quite astray. Thread is not 10 cents a spool here, but only 5 cents, and if anyone has been charging \$10 a cord for wood he has been getting a great deal more than anyone need pay. Today the price of the best wood per cord is \$6, delivered, or if it is cut in stove lengths, \$7, and this is as high as it ever has been. Rented houses are not held at extravagant prices. Six-room houses can be got as low as \$20. Higher prices are charged in some instances by reason of location or surroundings, but as a general proposition rents are not high. Good rooms are expensive, but we do not think it can be justly said that board is extravagantly high at cafes or hotels; a member of The Colonist staff, who lived until recently in Winnipeg, says the prices here are not more than 10 per cent higher than in the Prairie capital. Mrs. Markwell is quite incorrect in conveying the impression that the people of Victoria want only rich people to come here. Doubtless she has heard people say so; doubtless also she could find people who would tell her that we do not want any poor people. Said one estimable lady to a young man who came here from an Ontario town a quarter of a century ago: "I am very glad to see you, but, really, I wish we could put a fence around Victoria so as to keep every one else out." Now, doubtless, there are some people who feel that way now, but there are not many of them. The majority of the people of Victoria, and all the people who really count, have just as cordial a welcome for people of moderate means as they have for wealthy people.

While there will be universal sympathy with the farmers of South Bruce, Ontario, who are loud in their complaints against the reckless automobile, it must be said that they advance a most ridiculous proposal when they ask that the legislature should absolutely prohibit the use of automobiles on any roads except those of incorporated cities. This is mere childishly. The automobile has come to stay, as have the electric railways and typewriters; and, that fact being recognized, the only duty devolving upon the authorities is to enact such legislation as to ensure that their use shall not impose upon the rights of the general public. To talk of prohibiting them upon any highway is absurd.

Chicago reports that a business revival is coming. It will be very welcome, even in Victoria, where the depression has been chiefly imaginary.

"This has been a most beautiful autumn," is the observation of the Fernie Free Press. When do our friends propose to have their winter?

The Superintendent of Boulevards suggests to the Park Commissioners that a new name be chosen for what is known as the Quadra street cemetery. How would "Camosun Square" do?

The Penticton Press thinks that the time has come when British Columbia ought to have a local option law upon its statute book. There is something in this contention.

Ex-Premier Franco seems to be engaged in giving an illustration of a man "getting a move on." At last reports he had reached Genoa and was still going. Whatever may be charged against him, it cannot be said that he did not know when he had enough.

That there are disadvantages attendant upon residence at a point possessing the mild climate of Victoria is shown by the dispatch from Winnipeg to the effect that "wild geese have been moving north for several days." We miss the thrill of pleasurable excitement which such an important event engenders in the breasts of Manitobans.

It may be of general interest to state that in the opinion of such excellent authority as the New Westminster News, those papers which have ventured to prefer an investigation into the coal business by a commission appointed by the Dominion government to one carried on by a committee of the legislature are "coyotes" and "repiles." This seems to prove the case completely. We are not quite sure

what the case is, but it surely must be proved.

Chief Smart, of the Calgary fire department, has just issued a special notice which may possess a special local interest. He calls upon the managing bodies of all churches and amusement halls with a seating capacity of over 500 to make provision for an auxiliary lighting service in case of emergency, so as to obviate all possibility of panic. If this rule is a necessary one in the public interest, we assume that it ought to be followed everywhere.

The records of recent years will be broken in 1908 for the amount of money spent on works of civic improvement in Victoria. Employment will be given to a very large number of men, with the result that business generally should feel a distinct stimulus from this one cause alone. We trust that so far as it may be possible preference will be given to our own laboring men, and that in any event British subjects will be favored over those who may be attracted from across the line.

It is refreshing to learn that there is some one whom the Times hates as cordially as it does Mr. McBride, "which his name is Joseph Martin." If the meteoric gentleman from Vancouver decides, as Dame Rumor says he may, to be a candidate in this city for the House of Commons, our esteemed contemporary's venom factory will have to work overtime. But it gets right sometimes. It is right when it disclaims for Mr. Templeman any credit for placing Mr. McBride in office.

It is reported from London that the British post office has made a new contract with the Cunard Steamship Company to carry mails between Liverpool and New York until 1928. Does this spell final to the All-Red Imperial fast steamship project? One can hardly imagine that the British government would make such a contract for so long a period if it had any intention of bonusing a scheme which the promoters claim will reduce the time of voyage across the Atlantic almost one-third, making a corresponding reduction in the time required for the transmission of the mails between British ports and American coast ports.

The Bill to amend "The Municipal Clauses Act" will be taken up by the Municipal Committee of the Legislature. This is not the Bill which touches the question of municipal franchise, but one defining the powers of Councils. From a somewhat hasty inspection of the proposed measure, we feel it a duty to ask the committee to scan its provisions very carefully. We do not specify any of the proposed provisions which seem open to objection, because we do not wish to be understood as hostile to the measure. All we have to say is that the committee should weigh very carefully what they are asked to recommend to the House.

While there will be universal sympathy with the farmers of South Bruce, Ontario, who are loud in their complaints against the reckless automobile, it must be said that they advance a most ridiculous proposal when they ask that the legislature should absolutely prohibit the use of automobiles on any roads except those of incorporated cities. This is mere childishly. The automobile has come to stay, as have the electric railways and typewriters; and, that fact being recognized, the only duty devolving upon the authorities is to enact such legislation as to ensure that their use shall not impose upon the rights of the general public. To talk of prohibiting them upon any highway is absurd.

It requires no very great stretch of the imagination to realize that the wholesale denunciations which are being hurled at the head of President Roosevelt by many public speakers in the United States constitute an exceedingly dangerous piece of business.

Under normal conditions the anarchistic element in the country are eager enough to "remove" the President. Will they not be stirred to greater activity by having it constantly drummed into their ears that he is solely responsible for the financial and industrial depression which has overtaken the country? A hopeful phase of the situation, however, is the fact that the President seems to enjoy the confidence of the laboring classes. Were it otherwise, it can easily be understood that he would occupy as perilous a position as the Czar of Russia.

The Colonist frequently receives MSS. and newspaper clippings from its friends which it finds itself unable to use. It is not always possible to decide at once whether these can be used or not, and in the great majority of cases all that can be done with them is to take a note of the idea contained in them. Weeks afterward the person sending something in asks to have it returned. An instance occurred yesterday, where a friend wanted back a clipping that had been sent in six weeks ago. It is so exceedingly difficult for a daily newspaper to keep MSS. and clippings, and return those not used, that the rule almost invariably adopted is to decline any responsibility for them. We do not wish to take this position, and will only say to our friends that we cannot undertake to return contributions. We will do so when possible, but do not promise to do so in any case. A word might be added for the benefit of occasional contributors to the press, and it is that persons sending out MSS. which they value, ought to retain copies of them.

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NOTE AND COMMENT

FORTY YEARS AGO

Like a motion to adjourn, a discussion as to what is to be Canada's future is "always in order," therefore we direct the attention of Colonist readers to an article in the Ottawa Citizen, which, after putting the question "Have you ever seriously visioned the Canada of the future?" continues:

Very much depends upon this. It is the vision that makes vital and gives value. It is the vision that gives the purpose. To make progress there must be the definite goal. How can we build the house of Canadian character without first drawing the plans of our building? And it is safe to say that Canada will be just as great in the future as we are planning now to make her. Let no one fancy that greatness is thrust upon any people. Neither can we blunder upon it, as we wander aimlessly about. There must be the aim, wisely chosen and persistently followed. Every true Canadian must thrill with the glorious possibilities of his country. Truly may it be said that the century is ours. We have the chance that no nation has ever had—of building a modern nation from raw material in the modern time. We are not hampered by precedents, we are not blinded by ignorance. We have all of history from which to learn. All that we need is the vision in the individual mind that will create the strong purposefulness that above all else will make us great.

Appross of the building project now engaging the attention of the Victoria Y.M.C.A., it is interesting to note that the members of the Harlem, N.Y., association do not think it fair that the whole responsibility for the most important thing in life, the making of a home, should be placed on the shoulders of one person. They believe that the ignorance of young men as to the demands, financial and otherwise, of the married state is responsible for much marital unhappiness. They propose a remedy, which is thus explained by an exchange:

This association has started a class in the rudiments of housekeeping for young men contemplating matrimony. The course begins very properly with a study of "The Ideal Husband" and "The Ideal Wife," but goes on to such prosaic subjects as "How to Save on the Gas Bill," "What Kind of Furniture Lives Longest," "How to Market" and "Labor-Saving Devices in the Home." It is said a number of eager students have enrolled in the class, thereby showing that the association was not mistaken as to the need for such teaching.

As "misery loves company," those in Victoria who feel that the progress of the city is being retarded because of a deadly apathy on the part of the citizens generally, will be glad to learn that Vancouver is in the same boat, according to the News-Advertiser, which says in the course of an editorial under the caption "Culpable Negligence":

It is difficult to too strongly deplore the seeming lack of interest by merchants and professional men in the interests of the city. We base this structure on the fact that a week ago the regular monthly session of the Board of Trade was adjourned owing to the lack of a quorum. Last night the adjourned regular meeting failed to eventuate owing to sufficient members not being present to make operative any business transacted. We are sorry to have to take so strong a view of the situation, but at this period in her history Vancouver requires as steadfast loyalty to her well-being as at any time in the past. Such being the situation it is inconceivable to us that the business men of the community should be so lax in their devotion to Dame Fortune when she smiles; not only on account of the City's future but on that of their own.

There have been times in the past which we thought would have taught a lesson to our business men.

Times when indolence, lack of initiative or ill-considered conclusions have either lost us prospective profit or done us actual harm. We will quote no instances; rub salt into no still open sores. But we would, with all the energy at our command, impress on these gentlemen who stand high in the body politic today, the imperative need of earnest, persistent and well-balanced consideration of all matters that affect Vancouver's weal.

The Toronto Telegram has no difficulty in arriving at the conclusion that free trade is the source of the Old Country's Socialistic craze. The argument which it presents in support of this conviction has, at least, the merit of being brief and to the point. It says:

The Socialistic peril that threatens the tranquillity of European nations is described as an effect of protection in the bright lexicon of English free-traders. Accordingly free trade must be to blame for the Socialistic menace that now threatens the political tranquillity of England. The futility and failure of free trade is writ large in the argument that one-third of England's population is so close to the verge of starvation that a few cents extra on the price of a bushel of wheat would push the ill-fed millions into the abyss of dire hunger. Had half a century of free trade left England with one-third of its population not knowing where to look for the next meal? Then Cobdenism has been a dismal failure and the disease of starvation calls for a new remedy. Protection would have increased employment in England as protection increased employment in Canada. The Campbell-Bannerman government seems to have drawn much of its strength from voters who are neither free traders nor protectionists. They realize the failure of free trade, but distrust protection and yearn to try Socialism as a panacea for England's ills.

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BRITISH OPINION

The British Colonist, Friday, February 14, 1868.

This is St. Valentine's Day. The bookstores are filled with love-miseries and other that are not so love-ly, and from indications we think that the postman will have his hands full distributing the favors of both sexes for the next few days.

In a few days Messrs. Wilson & Co. will open the premises at Esquimalt, formerly occupied by Mr. S. Nesbit as a depot and bread and biscuit bakery for the supply of the Navy.

Concert.—We understand that a second instrumental and vocal concert will be given at the theatre, the great success that attended the last entertainment having encouraged the manager to again come before the public at the last performance Messrs. Edwards, Gunther and Roberts, of H.M.S. Zealous, Miss Lizzie Yoeman and other performers, were highly successful in their efforts. We hope that an early day will be fixed for their second performance.

London, Feb. 10.—Sir Daniel Brewster, the celebrated savant, died last night.

Halifax, Feb. 11.—The house is engaged in discussing the Repeal resolution. Meetings continue to be held in various parts of the country.

London, Feb. 11.—The British ironclad Hercules, said to be the largest in the world, has been successfully launched at the Chatham dockyard.

Paris, Feb. 11.—La France insists that Bismarck has asked permission to resign his portfolio.

ABOUT PEOPLE

The King's decision about the "renovation" of Holyrood Chapel, which was made public at a sub-meeting of the Convention of Scottish Royal Burghs, will, says the Pall Mall Gazette, be welcomed in a wider circle than that of the touring interest. The tourist goes to see Holyrood as it is, and a "renovated" chapel would find as little favor in his eyes as in those of more competent archaeologists. Lord Leven's munificent bequest would have meant money thrown away had it been applied to the purpose for which he intended it, and the interests of his heirs and assigns will certainly benefit more than would Holyrood if the King's decision had been other.

The first motor car to make its appearance in Afghanistan was that taken to Kabul by Sir Louis Dundas as a gift to Habibullah Khan from the Government of India. The Germans are about to provide Menelik, Emperor of Abyssinia, with a magnificent touring car, which, however, will not be the first to be seen in the Abyssinian capital. The car has not yet arrived at Addis Abeba, where Mr. Bentley, the English explorer, who is accompanied by a motor car, has been introducing the Negus to the delights of high speed. One of the first of Eastern monarchs to use the motor car was the King of Siam, whose automobile follows immediately after the white elephant in the Royal processions.

France's throne had been recovered from an old lumber-room of the Palace Bourbon, where it had remained hidden away for nearly four score years, the last occasion of its use being when it was occupied by King Charles X. at the ceremony of the opening of Parliament. It is in a fair state of preservation, has been sent to the State Museum of Decorative Art, and is the only French throne that remains in existence. King Charles's other throne at the Tuilleries, which has been occupied in turn by the first Emperor Napoleon and by King Louis XVIII., was destroyed in the revolution of 1830, which drove Charles X. into exile. On that occasion the Tuilleries was invaded by the revolutionaries, and, as every one of the mob wanted to sit on the throne to see how it fit, it got so much sat upon that it fell to pieces. Louis Philippe, who succeeded Charles X. as King of France, had a new throne made for himself. But when he in turn, after eighteen years of reign, was driven from the country by the Revolution of 1848, the mob seized the throne, carried it off to the Palais de la Baste, and burned it there in a grand bonfire. Relics whereto attempted to make off with pieces of the wood and upholstery were seized by the mob and compelled to throw them back into the blaze. As for the throne of Napoleon III., it fell a prey to the flames that destroyed the Palace of the Tuilleries during the terrible days of the Commune in 1871.

Lord Stratford, who has been receiving congratulations from his many friends, is one of the diminishing number of parson peers, and the only Earl of Stratford, and perhaps the only member of the Upper House, who has held the office of chaplain to the Speaker of the House of Commons. He is, too, say the Pall Mall Gazette, one of our hereditary legislators who have not forgotten their Horace, and can get the Roman poet's facile touch, and happy verse to lend themselves to his own utterances. He is a fifth Earl, and the third of three brothers who have borne the title in succession. The late Earl, equerry to the late Queen, and sometime lieutenant-colonel Coldstream Guards, took to his first wife Countess Henrietta Danniskold-Samscoë, a niece of the first Marquis of Albury. The two sons of this marriage both died unmarried. The elder daughter, maid of honor to Queen Victoria, is now Comtesse de Monty-Talvane, and of the intimacy of Queen Alexandra, who is the godmother of the daughter of this marriage, as were Queen Victoria, Princess Christian and Princess Victoria of Wales to the son of it. In the last month of his life the late Lord Stratford married Mrs. Colgate, an American widow. whose present husband is Mr. Martyn Kennard; and the pecs passed to his present holder, who has been some while a grandfather.

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women signed a petition asking the legislature not to take any action regarding from them. Had the time for securing signatures not been limited six thousand names could have been secured to the petition, but the bill was already being considered by the legislature.

Every cause has to be agitated before the public mind is educated to grasp the cause in its entirety and the women of this province will have to rise up in mighty power and unite the men, in concertation of the justice of their cause and of their determination to secure the women of England rising in a mighty body and demanding that the privilege of the franchise, which was promised them before the election, should be given them. Have men not fought for their freedom? For their freedom with which they secured it? Are not some of the nations of Europe today fighting for this same principle, and shall the women of British Columbia go amiss if they, like their brothers, cry aloud and work and fight for this same liberty?

MARIA GRANT.

ST. LAWRENCE ROUTE

President of Shipping Federation's Reference To High Charges—Recent Improvements

Montreal, Feb. 13.—Hugh A. Allan was re-elected president of the Shipping Federation of Canada at their fifth annual meeting, which was held yesterday.

In his annual report President Allan urged that the rentals of the new sheds should be suspended until at least the construction work was fully completed, since the port was bound to suffer by the great expense of handling ships here as compared with other ports on this continent. For instance, Mr. Allan showed that the charges of the port of Montreal for the voyage of a vessel were \$542.64 greater than at New York, which is considered the most expensive port on this continent; \$559 greater than Portland, and \$1,883 greater than that of Boston. A great portion of expense was, of course, caused by the heavy insurance rates on boats using the St. Lawrence route.

With regard to the channel itself, Mr. Allan said that the lighting of the river and gulf had not only been very much improved, but the attention to lights had left nothing to be desired, while the Department of Marine had paid prompt attention to any defect reported.

Cut His Throat.

Toronto, Feb. 13.—William Salmon, fifty years old, cut his throat almost from ear to ear today, but will recover. He had been employed by the Grand Trunk as a freight handler, but had not been working steadily for the past six weeks. He is a widower without children.

The first applicant for a dog license in Nottingham this year was an Irish terrier, which trotted into the Inland Revenue office with an envelope containing the official notice and the necessary fee in its mouth. The clerk made out the license and gave it to the dog, which then trotted back to its owner's office.

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EXECUTIVE TO MEET HERE THIS EVENING

Provincial Conservative Association Will Appoint Organizer At Session Today

The executive of the Provincial Conservative association will hold a session this evening, when business of importance will be considered.

It is expected that an organizer will be appointed at this meeting, and a large number of communications, amounting, in fact, to between 400 and 500, will be dealt with.

G. H. Barnard, K. C., of this city, is the president, while C. M. Woodworth, of Vancouver, is first vice-president.

With W. M. McKay, the secretary, Mr. Plunkett and Mr. Shaw, of Kamloops, he arrived in the city last evening.

Mayor Planta, of Nanaimo, is also in the city for the same purpose. Other members of the executive who will be present are F. Dockrill, representing Skeena; F. Foster, of Revelstoke; J. A. Harvey, Cranbrook, and F. Green, of Victoria.

It is also probable that the executive will consider various proposed amendments to the Provincial Election act, which will probably be made during the present session. The provisions under which the elections in cities are held are not considered satisfactory.

NEWS OF THE CITY

School At Webster's Corners

The contract for a school at Webster's Corners has been let to W. H. Menzies. The contract price is \$1,190.

Will Confer Degree

At tonight's meeting of Far West Lodge, K. of P., the rank of esquire will be conferred on several candidates.

Victoria Water Works Act.

The private bills committee will consider the Victoria Water Works act Monday next. The powers conferred by the measure are somewhat extensive. A petition against some of the provisions has been filed by the Esquimalt Water Works company.

Teachers' Institute Meets

The Victoria Teachers' Institute will meet this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Wallace, of Fievel's nursery, will read paper on "Wild Flowers of British Columbia," and Miss Mills, city drawing instructor, will speak on "Old Masters in Painting." The public is invited to attend.

Railway Committee.

The railway committee held a session yesterday morning and considered the bill to incorporate the Vancouver & Nicola Valley Railway company, and reported that measure in the afternoon. With the exception of one amendment, changing the gauge from narrow to standard size, the other amendments were technical in their nature. The time for expending the first \$10,000 was shortened from January, 1911 to January, 1909.

Paderewski Recital

The management of the Victoria Musical society request that all ticket holders will be in their seats in the Victoria theatre before 8:30 tonight. The recital will commence promptly at that hour and positively no admittance will be permitted during the performance of a number. The doors to the gallery will be opened at 7:30, and the admission will be \$1.50. There are 350 good seats in the gallery. Madame Paderewski will accompany her husband to Victoria. They will stay at the Empress hotel while in the city.

Will Receive Applications

Mrs. (Capt.) Johnstone, of the Salvation Army, is in the city in connection with the Salvation Army's immigration work. She has charge of the "domestic servant" proposition in this city and may be consulted at No. 8 Amable street any time for the next week. Application blanks may be obtained and it is the duty of the captain to investigate the application, examine the position of the applicant and to obtain a knowledge that the latter is an assured one and the application therefore bona fide.

South Saanich School Board

The regular monthly meeting of the South Saanich trustee board was held in Royal Oak school house last Wednesday evening. Those present were Trustees R. B. Fowke, Charles King, J. G. McKay and William Campbell. A communication was received from J. R. Carmichael, C.M.C., informing the board that the school estimates had been passed. Various communications, supplies and repairs were received and duly dealt with. O. Crandell, teacher of South Saanich school, tendered his resignation to take effect February 29, which was accepted and W. Alex. Cooper of Mt. Sicker, appointed in his place.

Secretary Resigns

The regular monthly meeting of the committee of management of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home was held on Wednesday afternoon and a large amount of routine work done. E. Crow-Baker, the secretary, tendered his resignation, which was accepted with regret, and a committee, consisting of the chairman, Charles Hayward, and Mr. Lawson, was appointed to recommend a successor. Until such appointment is made Mr. Scowcroft will have power to sign cheques. Mrs. James T. Dickson was placed on the ladies' committee in place of Mrs. Wake, resigned. A number of accounts were passed. Those present at the meeting were Charles Hayward, Messrs. Lawson, Helmken, Goodacre and Scowcroft.

Old-Timer Visits City

Amongst the visitors at the legislature yesterday was L. Campbell, of Campbell Creek, near Kamloops. Mr. Campbell is one of the pioneers of the province. He crossed the plains of California in 1852 and came to Victoria in 1858. In the halcyon days of California in 1858 he was engaged in packing and mining and he succeeded in accumulating a comfortable fortune. He is at present the possessor of one of the finest ranches in British Columbia. He speaks in the most glowing language of the potentialities of the province and he believes that the prosperity which has recently been marked throughout the Pacific province of the Dominion is just an earnest of that which is to come in ensuing years. The province is but "hitting its stride" and the pace will be maintained.

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The contract for a school at Peachland has been awarded to W. A. Lang. The school is to be a four-room structure and will cost in the neighborhood of \$8,500.

Suspected Beer Thieves

John O'Brien, believed to have been one of the gang which broke into the premises of the Victoria Phoenix Brewing company on Tuesday night and purloined three kegs and half a dozen bottles of beer, was arrested yesterday morning by the police, and along with Barney Martin, P. O'Connor, K. W. Macdonald and J. Everett, who were arrested on Wednesday afternoon before Magistrate Jay.

Oddfellows Entertain

The St. Valentine's ball to be given by the Oddfellows of the city, and to make a success of which an energetic committee has been at work for the past week or two, will be held this evening in the A. O. U. W. hall. Every preparation has been made for the event which promises to be the most successful in the history of the lodge. The supper is being provided by the Sisters of Rebekah. The committee in charge of the affair is composed of T. M. Brayshaw, R. Livingston, J. H. McConnell, Anton Henderson, F. W. Dempster and J. Wilby. The committee of the Sisters of Rebekah on whom falls the duty of providing the refreshments consists of Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Dempster and Mrs. Stelly.

WAS REFUSED BALLOT

J. G. Brown Could Not Vote for School Trustee at the Last Election

Refused a vote at the recent civic elections after being allowed the status of a duly qualified voter, J. G. Brown has taken steps to ascertain why it was that he was not allowed to vote for school trustee. Prior to the last elections Mr. Brown claimed that as an employee of the Dominion government he was exempted from showing that he had paid the necessary rates and he concluded that he was entitled to vote. His claim was contested and an appeal was taken to Mr. Justice Clement who decided that Mr. Brown was not entitled to claim exemption but it was shown that he was properly qualified independent of the exemption and on this circumstance being known the court did not make the order.

On election day Mr. Brown attended the polling booth to register his vote recording his choice for mayor and aldermen, but when he presented himself at the booth where the polling for school trustees was in progress, he was informed that his name had been removed from the list. This was done, Mr. Brown ascertained, on the ground that Mr. Justice Clement had declared him not to be entitled to vote. Further investigation shows that no order was made to strike off his name and he is therefore anxious to know why he was stopped from voting. He has consulted his solicitor and is determined to find out why he was refused a ballot.

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commodation. The six speakers will be allowed fifteen minutes each to define their platform. The public is cordially invited to attend.

OBITUARY NOTICES

The funeral of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Smith took place at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the residence of her daughter, 1402 Stanley avenue, where an impressive service was conducted by the Rev. F. T. Tapscott, who also officiated at the grave. Appropriate hymns were sung. There was a very large attendance of sympathizing friends and many beautiful flowers were presented. The following acted as pall bearers: H. R. Selleck, C. C. Johns, J. Andrews, J. T. McDonald, D. McMillan, Dr. Wm. Russell.

Word has been received in the city of the death at San Francisco, on February 9, of Ernest Wolff, for many years a resident of this city, and known to a large circle of friends who will regret to hear of his demise. The late Mr. Wolff came to Victoria from London, Eng., in the early 80's and resided here for many years until failing health necessitated his retirement from active business. He went south, trusting that a change in climate would benefit his health. Decased, who was 74 years of age at the time of his death, was constantly employed at his trade, that of a tailor, during his residence in the city. He leaves surviving him a widow and ten children. One daughter, Mrs. Robert Swannell, resides at Metchosin. Other daughters are Mrs. George Snider, Vancouver; Mrs. W. W. Clark, Toronto; Mrs. Foster, Vancouver; Mrs. D. W. Rowland, Mrs. A. Hanson and Miss May Wolff, of Oaklands, Cal., and Mrs. Missin, Seattle. Two sons, Ernest and Lionel, living in California.

All the questions which have agitated the civic mind in the past real municipal elections will be strenuously debated. Printed ballots have been prepared and at the conclusion of the speeches, all present will be given an opportunity to vote for one mayor, one alderman and one school trustee.

The ladies will be given the suffrage and there is no fear of any legal steps being taken to disqualify them. In the mayoralty contest, Mr. White, who is the retiring mayor will again seek election, his opponent being Mr. Hughes, who will represent the progressives, while in the aldermanic field G. Brown and Mr. Hescott will appeal for the support of the electorate. In the race for school trustee honors, Mr. Crowther and Mr. Cullin will face the electors and will discourse on all matters pertaining to education, school congestion, the Chinese question and additional ac-

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inst., at 12 o'clock noon, for the stock,
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F. P. Watson at No. 623 Yates street
and the unexpired time of the lease of
the said premises. Particulars can be
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Little Willie Thomson

"The late Lord Kelvin," said a Har-
vard scientist, "had a wonderfully
original mind from his childhood."

"As a little boy, as little Willie
Thomson, tell a quaint story about him in Glasgow."

"It seems that once he suffered hor-
ribly a week with toothache. Finally he
had the tooth out. After it was drawn
he rose from the chair, held out his
little hand to the surgeon, and said:

"Give it to me."

"The surgeon, with an accommodat-
ing smile, wrapped the tooth in paper
and extended it to the lad."

"But what are you going to do with
it, Willie?" he asked.

"I'm going to take it home," was the
reply, "and cram sugar in it and see it
ache." —Washington Star.

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DEMONSTRATING NEW
SPRAY FOR ORCHARDS

Old Country Agent Gives Ex-
hibition Of New
Fluids

E. G. Prior & Co., of this city have
been appointed by Mr. W. Stanley
Spark agents for British Columbia
for William Cooper & Nephews of Berk-
hamsted, England, for the sale of the
firm's fluids for the spraying of fruit
trees. Mr. Sparks, who is staying with
Mr. Dog on Labouchere street, has
conducted tests with the fluids with
great success, on Wednesday at the
orchard of Mr. Bryden at Royal Oak,
where trees were sprayed for aphids.
R. M. Palmer, the well known local
horticultural expert, saw tests of the
fluid in an English orchard and speaks
highly of its usefulness for orchard-
ists.

Mr. Spark, who is visiting Victoria,
giving demonstrations of the fluids has
been in Canada for some time, and
three years ago was judge at many
horse shows held in eastern Canada.
He is an old school friend of Col. E.
G. Prior at Leeds, Yorkshire. He has
been wonderfully impressed with the
resources and opportunities of British
Columbia and has since his arrival
acquired interests in the farm lands
of Vancouver Island. He said yester-
day: "This is a magnificent country
for fruit-growing; equal to, if not
better than any I have ever seen, and
I have crossed the line eight times.
There is a great opportunity for the
breeding of pure bred stock in British
Columbia. There is, too, special
chance for mixed farming, which
would pay very well. When I go home
I propose to induce farmers of Great
Britain to engage in stock farming in
British Columbia and do not think I
will have any difficulty in leading a
number to come to this province when
I tell them the advantages here."

Mr. Spark has some photos of fruit
orchards and that of trees alongside
sprayed with the fluids of his company.
The difference is most marked,

he said. "Progressive fruit growers
have long been alive to the importance
of keeping down the many pests that
attack and do so much injury to their
trees. They know well enough that
good fruit crops can only be expected
from healthy trees—trees that are
clean in branch and twig, and bud. To
maintain the trees in that condition,
it is necessary to treat them at intervals
with a preparation that is deadly to all
parasitic life, and experience has
shown that the most satisfactory mode
of applying such a preparation is to
spray it upon the trees. That, in fact,
is the only means by which the whole
surface of the tree may be covered
with certainty. Thus the spraying of
fruit trees has found its place in the
routine of fruit culture as a process
indispensable to the attainment of the
best results; indeed, it is as important
to the fruit grower as tillage and
manuring are to the farmer. The V1
and V2 fluids for which T. G. Prior
& Co., are agents opens up such new
possibilities to the fruit-grower, that
he cannot afford to be without them.
They are superior to other existing
remedies. Allowing one gallon of
spray mixture per tree, the cost for
mixed spray-fluids works out at three
cents per tree, and with labor and all
incidentals, the cost of spraying
will not exceed six cents per tree,
for each spraying.

Walter E. Collinge of the Birmingham
University Department of Economic
Zoology, found the V1 and V2
fluids most satisfactory in dealing with
insect pests in the Midlands. The
Birmingham Daily Post published an
interview with Mr. Collinge who said:
"Hitherto fruit growers had looked
with some amount of suspicion upon
the practice of spraying, and had question-
ed whether it was worth the expense.
He was not surprised at that, for
nearly all the spray fluids of the
past had been mixtures which had
never been carefully experimented
with and the results tabulated and
checked. The practice of plant spraying
is to the early part of the sixteenth
century, but it was only within compara-
tively recent years that it had been
placed upon a sound and scientific
basis. It was in 1898 that Mr. Collinge
took the matter up. He had received
from people many enquiries which had
an economic bearing. The resulting
research so interested him that he took
the subject seriously in hand, and soon
found that there was an enormous
field open to him. Just at the time he received
a communication in regard to the black current mite, and he
was on that particular pest that his
first experiments were made. Until
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"It is very important to remember,"
said Mr. Collinge, "that spraying a
tree or squirts on a liquid through a
hose is wasteful and seldom efficacious.
The fluid must be broken up
into fine mist, and must be free from
all solid particulars, one year ago I
was appealed to by several Midland
fruit growers to take this matter up
with a view of discovering a winter
spray fluid that would kill the eggs of
insects and mites found upon fruit
trees at that time. A series of experiments
were commenced, and as a result,
in November, 1906, I issued a circular
giving the formula of the now
well-known caustic soda emulsion.
This has given splendid results. In
orchards where the trees were covered
with moss, lichens, and the eggs of
numerous insects it was applied in De-
cember, 1906 and today the same trees
are perfectly clean and bearing more
than an average crop of fruit. Here
is the testimony of fruit growers from
all over the country," said Mr. Collinge
pointing to a pile of letters.

Good as this fluid has proved, Mr.
Collinge saw that further experiment
would improve upon it. One of the
difficulties in connection with it was
that it was necessary to have a carefully
prepared paraffin emulsion, and
this had been and still was a stumbling
block to many who would use it.

The next advance was the discovery of
a mechanical process whereby a par-
affin emulsion could be made that
would mix with cold water, thereby
saving the trouble and cost of
boiling and mixing previously in
vogue. This was a great advance, for
once having obtained such an emulsion
it was possible to combine with it in
a concentrated form various chemicals
which are certain death to all insect
eggs, fungi, lichens, moss, etc.

The final result was the per-
fection of two fluids which I have term-
ed V1 and V2. The former is a fluid

for applying to dormant trees, and the
latter for use in the spring and au-
tumn. After a long series of labora-
tory experiments V1 was tried in the
open on several large orchards, and
fully bore out the excellent results ob-
tained in the laboratory. Of fifty-
seven experiments made with the two
fluids by different growers in various
parts of Great Britain, not one has re-
ported unfavorably, I believe now that
the fruit grower has a fluid which can
be applied at a reasonable cost and with
the maximum amount of good."

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Helgeson-Cartwright.

A pretty wedding took place on
Wednesday at St. Andrew's Presby-
terian church, when Rev. D. A. Mc-
Rae of Victoria West united Harold
Helgeson and May Cartwright in mar-
riage.

The bride's wedding gown was of
white silk over net.

Miss Rose Cartwright and Miss Nora
Watkinson were bridesmaids and
wore becoming dresses of white organ-
za. The groom was attended by Mr.
Merryfield.

After the wedding a reception was
held at the home of the bride's parents.

The evening was pleasantly spent
with music and dancing, Messrs. Dave
Fair, Reinhardt and Hilliard supplying
the music. In the morning the bride
and groom left for their future home,
followed by the good wishes of a host
of friends. The following is a

list of presents, which shows the popu-
larity of the young people: Punch
bowl, Mrs. McDonald; cake stand,
Mr. and Mrs. Sears; cake plate, Mr.
and Mrs. White; hand-painted water
set, Mr. and Mrs. Elder; silver flower
vases, Mr. Reinhardt; Japanese vase,
Mr. and Mrs. Moreas; dessert set, Mr.
and Mrs. S. Walton; tea set, Mr. and
Mrs. Sullivan; fancy cake plate, Miss
Furman; silver teaspoons, Mr. and
Mrs. Settlerfield; tea set, Mr. and
Mrs. Plummer; flower vase, Mrs.
Faulkner; cut glass salad bowl, Mr.
and Mrs. Newsom; cups and saucers,
Misses McDonald; silver butter dish
and knife, Mr. and Mrs. Winters; carver
set, Miss Watkinson; Battenburg
bedspread, Mr. and Mrs. Archineat;
cheque, Mr. Johnston; cheque, Mr.
Barber; cups and saucers and fancy
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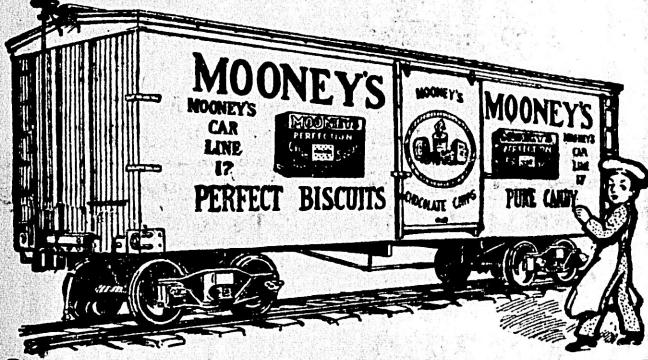
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THEIR OPINIONS OF WOMEN

Woman is the symbol of moral and physical beauty.—Gautier.

What is civilization? I answer the power of good women.—Emerson.

The woman who is resolved to be respected can make herself so, even amidst an army of soldiers.—Cervantes.

With soft persuasive prayers woman wields the sceptre of the life which she charms.—Schiller.

The beauty of a lovely woman is like music.—George Eliot.

Woman's power is not for rule, not for battle; and her intellect is not for invention or creation but for sweet ordering, arrangement, and decision.—Ruskin.

Woman's heart is like a lithographic stone—what is once written upon

it cannot be rubbed out.—Thackeray.

An undoubted, uncontested, conscious beauty is, of all women, the least sensible of flattery.—Chesterfield.

A woman would be in despair if nature had formed her as fashion makes her appear.—Mlle. de Lespinasse.

Woman is the sweetest present that God has given to man.—Guyard.

The sweetest thing in life is the unclouded welcome of a wife.—Willis.

Simply Self-Defence

A stout woman entered a crowded car and took hold of a strap directly in front of a man seated in the corner. As the car started, she lunged against his newspaper and trod heavily on his toes. "As soon as he could extricate himself, he rose and offered her his seat. 'You are very kind, sir,' she said, panting for breath. 'Not at all, madam,' he replied. 'It's not kindness.'

Lippincott's Magazine.

Statistics show that married women live two years longer than single ones.

In Woman's Realm

WOMAN'S WORK

In devoting more space than formerly to the affairs of women, the Colonist is taking a step which it is hoped our lady friends will appreciate. Any communication from them of general interest will be welcome and carefully attended to.

HERE AND THERE

In the spring a lovelier Iris changes on the furnished dove; in the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love. So sang the poet Tennyson and so it seems if we are to believe those grave and learned men whose duty it is to seek for the springs of popular belief and observances.

This is St. Valentine's Day. The 14th of February has for centuries been observed in the Roman Catholic church in honor of St. Valentine, who was beaten to death on the Flamminian Way because he would not renounce his faith in the Christian religion. He, it is said, miraculously healed the blind daughter of one Asterius to whom he had been entrusted the task of winning Valentine back to the idolatry he had forsaken. The effect of this miracle was to convert the father and his family to the despised religion of the cross and to cause the martyrdom of the zealous teacher. There was another Valentine to whom the people of Italy and Germany used to pray for the cure of certain diseases. There seems to have been absolutely nothing in the lives of these saints or in the legends told of them to connect them in any way with lovers or with the observances that have grown up around the day.

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A very pleasant time was spent yesterday by the members of St. Agnes' guild of St. James' church, at the home of Mrs. George, 217 Quebec street. Tea was served during the afternoon to a large number of guests and a good programme of instrumental and vocal music was rendered during the evening.

The regular concert of the Ladies' Musical club will take place on Saturday afternoon next in the concert hall of the Carnegie library building. The programme for the concert will appear in Saturday morning's Colonist.

Dr. Alice Fuller who has recently arrived in this city from an Franciscan, Cal., gave a lecture on "Good Health and how to Attain It," at the home of Mrs. Sprout on Wednesday last, which was elevating as well as instructive and greatly appreciated by the ladies present.

Dr. Fuller will give a series of lectures before the clubs and different ladies' societies during her stay in the city. She will address the mothers' club at Spring Ridge school, Wednesday, Feb. 19, at 3 p.m. Her subject being "Care of Young Girls," and will also speak in the Y. W. C. A. rooms Government street at 8 p.m. on the same date.

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VICTORIA YACHT CLUB TO BE REJUVENATED

Movement Launched to Amalgamate all Boating Interests in the City

The movement among those interested in boating in this city to amalgamate the various interests under one association and under the name of the Victoria Yacht club was launched last night when a large number of enthusiasts gathered in the office of F. J. Neale at 635 Fort street.

It is probable that an affiliation will be affected embracing the Victoria Yacht club, the motor boat interests, the J. B. A. A. and the Oak Bay Yacht club, and the committee nominated last night to take steps to again put Victoria to the front in matters aquatic will work on a most comprehensive plan for the rejuvenation of Victoria Yacht club.

It was a noticeable feature during the progress of the discussion last night that not a single unharmonious note was heard, all being ready to take an active part in the bringing of Victoria again in the limelight on the water.

J. S. Gibb who occupied the chair reflected the feeling of the meeting when he pointed out that this city should be the greatest yachting centre on the coast and predicted that, if all yachtsmen would join hands, this could be accomplished. Mr. Gibb was most optimistic in discussing the outlook and stated that with the reformation of the Victoria Yacht club that the International regatta would be brought here and that Vancouver would support Victoria in this event.

A strong committee was appointed from the ranks of the motor boat men and the Victoria Yacht club to find ways and means of amalgamation and forming the new Victoria Yacht club, and with the intention of erecting a suitable club building for all power boats and dingys and also to be equipped with a proper place for drying sails. The committee will also consider the question of a site and the best method of raising funds. It was estimated that a suitable building would cost in the neighborhood of \$5,000.

The committee is composed of the following gentlemen and will report progress on Feb. 20: J. S. Gibb, G. V. Cappage, G. L. Wood and A. Mulcahy, representing the Victoria Yacht club, and Walter Chambers, D. Hutchison, H. P. Johnson representing the motor boat interests. The committee will meet the officers of the J. B. A. A. with a view to considering the feasibility of that club being included in the amalgamation.

A. Mulcahy brought up the matter of adopting a new one design class boat for members of the club and others for the purpose of racing and cruising, and if this idea is adopted it is probable that the club will have racing every Saturday during the summer for prizes. Races would also probably be held for motor boats and a motor boat committee will draft a set of racing rules.

The boys had a great workout last night, under the instruction of Physical Director Findley, and are in fine fettle for the game. Pettigrew, the hard-working and heady center, will be out of the game, having been unfortunate enough to sprain his knee joint, and it is probable that this accident will bar him from playing for some time yet, although his injury is not considered serious. Gawley will take his place at centre, and as a substitute he is one of the best men playing that position of any of the aspirants. The team will be a representative one of the Y. M. C. A.'s best players.

It is anticipated that one of the largest crowds of the season will see the game, as the locals have been putting up a star brand of basketball since they returned from their trip. The experience that the players gained while away was invaluable and the troubling they gave Portland here recently demonstrates this fact, as Portland took them into camp in that city. The tickets at the Y. M. C. A. offices are selling rapidly and will be snapped up before the week is out.

Hockey at Quebec.

Quebec, Feb. 13.—The Quebec hockey team defeated the Shamrocks of Montreal by a score of seven to three in a game here tonight. Owing to the Montreal train being derailed, the game did not start until midnight.

All of the members of the Motor Boat association who were present

CITY INTERMEDIATE LACROSSE IS ASSURED

Three Clubs Will Form Series for Summer in the City

The committee appointed at the recent meeting of the lacrosse players and management to canvass the different athletic organizations in the city to get their opinion as to the feasibility of the formation of an intermediate city lacrosse league report that the success of the proposed three club league is practically assured.

The management of the J. B. A. A. signified their intention yesterday of entering the league and promise that the club will place a team in the field that will give the other clubs their hands full in defeating them. The announcement of the J. B. A. A. executive was received by the canvassing committee with much favor, and a meeting will be called in the very near future when a schedule will be drawn up and the league organized.

There are now three teams that are sure of playing in the city intermediate league. The Victoria West club will have a strong team as will also the Centrals and with the entrance of the J. B. A. A. one of the best series that could be got together will be playing in the city this summer.

It is acknowledged now that the team to enter the provincial intermediate league will not be in want of playing material and the action of the club's management in inaugurating the city intermediate league was a wise one. The interest that is being shown by all of the clubs in the city is the greatest, the canvassing committee, that Victoria has shown for many a day and augurs well for the success of the team on the field this summer.

VICTORIA WEST SOCCER TEAM IN FINE SHAPE

One of Hardest Battles of the Season Will Be That in Ladysmith Saturday

The Victoria West intermediate soccer football team, the present champions of British Columbia, will go to Ladysmith on Saturday to play the team of that place their scheduled game in the intermediate series. These teams are old rivals and this match promises to be one of the hardest fought that has yet taken place in the intermediate league. The Ladysmith team are said to have the strongest lineup for this match that they have ever put on the field and are determined to lower the colors of the champions. The local team are equally determined that they will come out victorious.

Mr. Tait states that the boys recognize that this game will make them go the limit to win but are confident that they can deliver the goods and that they will come through the season with an improved list of victories and the championship. The teams are in great condition and have been training faithfully since their last match.

The following will be the lineup of the Victoria West team: Goal, Brown; backs, Prevost, Kinlock; halves, McQuade, Bailey, Bryden; forwards, Tait, P. Dakers, O. Kell, Ledger and Hall.

Collegiate W.C. Match.

In the junior Rugby series the Collegiate and Central schools clashed Wednesday afternoon at the Oak Bay grounds, the game resulting in a win for the former aggregation by a score of two tries to nil. Both tries were scored in the first half, the play in the last half being more equal and strenuous. The game was an one though not spectacular, and the Collegiate showed its superiority throughout. Grant and Proctor for the Collegiate and Dickson for the Centrals were easily the best performers on the field.

Johnston Wants Fight.

New York, Feb. 12.—Sam Fitzpatrick is dallying in his power, braving a match between his protege, Jack Johnston and Jim Jeffries or Tommy Burns, Jimmy Coffroth, who dispatches from Los Angeles recently stated, had visited Jim Jeffries, who like to get the match for his club in Colma, Cal., and has written to Fitzpatrick asking his terms. Fitzpatrick today replied: "If you enclose Jeffries' consent to let me Johnson, I am willing to let him take 75 per cent. of the purse money no matter how the battle terminates."

The conditions that Burns proposes

are entirely out of the question.

CRACK NANAIMO TEAM TO BE HERE TOMORROW

Big Doubleheader in Soccer Senior Football at Oak Bay

The big headliner in tomorrow's sport fixtures will undoubtedly be the soccer football double-header that will be played in the senior series at the Oak Bay grounds. There will be things doing when the big teams clash in the race for the island championship and the fastest football of the season will be dashed up to the fans when the Y. M. C. A.-Nanaimo and J. B. A.-Esquimalt teams meet.

The result of the game between the Y. M. C. A. and Nanaimo will have much to do with deciding the championship and if the visitors are victorious it will be conceded that the championship goes north and the local team can say goodbye to having any reasonable show of coming out at the end of the season with the pennant. This will be the first meeting of these two teams and both have been playing consistent football all season, the Nanaimo team, however, have as yet to taste the dregs of defeat, while the Y. M. C. A. team have lost out some of their games in close matches. The players have been showing much better form in their recent matches and the committee of management is satisfied that with the present lineup the Nanaimo team will go down to defeat.

Some of the many reasons that are advanced for this view are that the lineup is by far the best that has worn the colors of the Y. M. C. A. team this season, the playing of Sparks at centre forward, who is considered to be one of the best men in the business will do much to steady the line and give more confidence to the other players. Sparks has been out of the game during most of the season through an injury, but he has completely recovered and will be in the thick of the fight all through the game. He is a very heady, dashing player, and is in excellent condition. Another of the reasons advanced by the executive is that all of the players are in perfect condition and will be able to go the two halves without a break.

Most of the men do their training at the Y. M. C. A. club rooms, besides taking long runs each day. Probably the greatest reason that the Y. M. C. A. people are so confident, however, and the reason that they lay the most stress on is the fact that they are of the opinion that the Nanaimo players are not in the best of condition, many games that the team have played and the hard practices that they indulge in is believed to have caused many of the men to grow stale, and the snap and ginner that is so essential to the winning of games will be lacking when they stack up against the Y. M. C. A. bunch, say the wise ones.

It will be remembered that the Nanaimo team only defeated the Ladysmith team in the last few minutes of the play when these two teams met last month, and as the Y. M. C. A. team gave Ladysmith team such a beating here on New Year's day the deduction is obvious. But it would be difficult proposition to pick the winner of this game tomorrow, as many of the wise ones may lose their guess in predicting with such positiveness that Nanaimo will again win.

The Nanaimo team are not saying very much except to point at their already long list of victories and the grand form the players have been showing in their recent contests. They hint suggestively at the number of their players who are on the All-Island team for the match against the All-Mainland team and name others who are as well qualified to place as the ones that were chosen.

Both teams are confident that victory will rest with them. One thing is certain and that is that the sympathies of all the other clubs in the league will be with the Y. M. C. A. boys and the rooting from the sidelines will all be coming in their direction, and it is just this sort of encouragement that sometimes helps a team out when the fight is a close one and a single goal means the match.

This is the way the teams will line up:

Victoria—Goal, E. M. Whyte; fullbacks, R. Whyte and J. Stratton; halfbacks, A. Thackery, A. Johnston, E. Kerchin; forwards, W. Young, W. Sheritt, Sparks, J. Sheritt, C. E. Berkley, Reserves, J. Wormald, J. Martin and T. Hill.

Nanaimo United—Goal, Bradshaw; fullbacks, Hewitt and Graham; halfbacks, Snowdon, Farmer and Harley; forwards, Blundell, Cruikshanks, Johnnie Steer and Peter.

Referees, D. McDougall, Esquimalt; Referee, Esquimalt vs. J. B. A. A.—S. C. Thomson, Y. M. C. A.

The game between the Esquimalt United and the J. B. A. A. will also afford great entertainment to the friends and admirers of these teams and the J. B. A. A. team is to be prepared to spring a surprise on representatives from the naval town. It is rumored that there will be several changes in the lineup and that the dark horses that are supposed to be getting into harness are credited with being very fast performers.

The lineup of the naval team will not have as many changes but will come to the city in the best of condition and determined to down the boys from the Bay. It will be the best afternoon of Association football that has been seen in the city this season and the big crowd of spectators that will undoubtedly be present will be provided with fine sport.

LAWN TENNIS FINALS

Ladies Battle for Supremacy in Singles and Doubles in New York City

New York, Feb. 11.—The final and deciding rounds of the women's indoor lawn tennis tournament were reached today in both singles and doubles on the courts of the Seventh Regiment Armory. In the singles Mrs. Frederick Schmitz, England, defeated Miss Alice L. Day, New Jersey state champion, 6-4, 6-4. Miss Marie Wagner defeated Mrs. C. W. Chapman 7-5, 4-6, 9-7.

Mrs. W. H. Pouch and Miss E. H. Moore, two former champions, beat Mrs. A. H. McCarthy and Miss M. Johnson in the finals of the doubles. The former champions defeated Miss F. H. Platt and Mrs. C. H. Chapman, middle states' holders, 6-3, 6-1. Mrs. McCarthy and Miss Johnson defeated Miss Wagner and Miss Alkens, 6-4, 6-2. Both of the championships will decide tomorrow.

His Unhappy Marriage.

William James, the famous psychologist of Harvard, said at a dinner in Boston:

"An odour often recalls to us a childhood scene. A voice brings back memories that we had thought buried forever. As we regard some strange landscape, it often seems to us that we have been just here before. The oddest and most momentous associations oftentimes attach themselves to the most trifling things."

"Thus, at a Thanksgiving dinner that I once attended, the hostess said to a sour-faced man on her left:

"May I help you to some of the boiled rice, Mr. Smith?"

"Rice? No, thank you; no rice for me," Smith answered vehemently. "It is associated with the worst mistake of my life!"—Rochester Herald.

Iceland holds the record for centenarians.

LONG DISTANCE MEN FOR OLYMPIC GAMES

Big Tournament Arrangements Cause Much Trouble in Many Countries

Mr. A. B. George, the well known English sporting writer, has the following to say concerning the Olympic games:

France is not the only country in which there is trouble in regard to the Olympic games. As most sportsmen probably know, the French sporting bodies propose standing aloof from the festival because the French Olympic committee is not representative of the associations governing pastimes in the country. Fortunately there is a chance that the difficulty may be overcome before long, as Lord Desborough, president of the English Olympic committee, goes to Paris with the hope of trying to adjust the trouble. More trouble exists in Canada and the United States, though perhaps not of such a serious nature. In the former there are two governing athletic bodies, between which there is considerable friction. Fortunately the leaders on each side recognize that Canada's chance of showing well in the games depends upon if the differences are dropped for a time and so a truce has been called. This is wise and corresponds with the action of our own athletic and cycling bodies, which at one time looked likely to break off relationships. The trouble in the States is over the appointment of Mr. Haplin as manager of the American team. He is the manager of the Americans in 1906, but most of the athletes who represented Uncle Sam then object to his again acting as manager. A lot of dirty linen has been washed in public as a consequence of this. Haplin having brought various charges—including professionalism, thievery and drunkenness—against certain of the 1906 team. He looked as though Haplin would be the last man to be chosen to represent the United States in 1908, but the athletes who represented Uncle Sam then object to his again acting as manager. A lot of dirty linen has been washed in public as a consequence of this. Haplin having brought various charges—including professionalism, thievery and drunkenness—against certain of the 1906 team. 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On the Waterfront

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CREW REACHED ISLAND

Shipwrecked Men Taken to
Santa Barbara—No Insur-
ance Carried on Vessel

The sealing schooner Ella G. of this city, with a catch of 42 sealskins, has been totally wrecked on the southern California coast, according to despatch received yesterday from Santa Rosa Island, where the vessel drove ashore and battered to pieces on February 2. Santa Rosa Island is one of three islands, lying well off shore, in 34° north 121° west, other islands of the group being Santa Miguel and Santa Cruz, to which the shipwrecked sealers escaped, and from which they were carried to Santa Barbara by a small schooner. The vessel is not insured.

After leaving Victoria, November 18 last, the Ella G made her way south to meet the northbound seal-herd, and until her rudder broke when off the southern California coast, January 26, she had taken 42 skins. When the accident occurred Capt. Lomp endeavored to rig a jury rudder, and made toward Santa Rosa Island, where on February 2, during a storm, the vessel drove on to the rocks and broke up soon afterward. No particulars have been received regarding the experiences of the crew.

Shortly before sailing efforts were made to insure the schooner for \$425 in an English insurance company's local agency. The application was referred to the home office of the company, which asked that a survey of the vessel be held before the insurance be written. In the meantime the vessel had sailed. Efforts were similarly made to insure supplies and outfit placed on board, much of which was advanced by a local wholesale house, for \$400, but for similar reasons the insurance was not effected.

The Ella G was a small "pinky" schooner of 20.17 tons gross, 16.17 tons net, owned by Capt. John C. Voss of this city, now at sea engaged in sealing as master of the schooner Jessie. Capt. Lomp, who had been engaged as a hunter on the schooner Thomas F. Bayard last season, made arrangement with Capt. Voss last November to take the little Ella G this season, and sail in November last, being the first to leave port for the sealing grounds. Capt. Voss was out sealing in the schooner last season, and was enthusiastic with regard to her sea qualities.

The crew of the Ella G consisted of nine men, mostly residents of Victoria. Those on board were J. Lomp, of Victoria, master; A. McNamee, of Clydebank, Scotland, mate; J. Chapman, of Victoria, hunter; Angus Hastings, of Musquodobit, near Halifax, Nova Scotia, hunter; Charles Hansen, of 5 Alfred street, Victoria, sailor and boatman; Harry Gordon, of Harrisburg, N. S., sailor and boatman; Alex. Lunn, of Edinburgh, Scotland, sailor and boatman; R. McClure, of Dartmouth, N. S., sailor and boatman and Nakamura, of 202 Government street, cook.

The Ella G was formerly a fishing schooner owned in Seattle. Five or six years ago she was engaged in halibut fishing off the west coast of Vancouver Island, and put into Clayquot during stress of weather. While anchored there she dragged her anchor and drove ashore on the sand spit near Stockham & Dawley's store. The fishermen abandoned her, and she was sold to Mr. Stockham for \$275. He floated her, and brought her to Victoria, where she was repaired and placed in good sea-going condition.

Some time later she was sold to Percy Winch of this city, and was again placed in the fishing business of the west coast with Capt. Alex. McLean and Edward Forrest, of this city, as master and mate, respectively. The venture was not a success, however. Some good trips were made, but afterward the delays were too long, and before the schooner made her way back to port the fish was unsalable. While in charge of Alex. McLean, who a year before had left the schooner Carmen, afterward the Acapulco, with an indictment for alleged illegal sealing, issued by a San Francisco court, hanging over him, the Ella G was reported wrecked in January, 1906, shortly prior to the Valencia disaster. A derelict was seen from Carmen, and it was believed the Ella G had capsized, but shortly afterward she returned to Ucluelet.

While engaged in fishing in command of Capt. McLean the Ella G was taken into Neah bay to shelter from a howling gale. While there a United States revenue cutter put in for shelter and McLean, thinking the revenue officers were seeking him on account of the charges arising out of alleged illegal sealing in northern waters, set sail and ran out in the teeth of the storm, making his way to Ucluelet.

About eighteen months ago Capt. J. C. Voss, who not long before had returned from his memorable trip around the world in a small yacht of four tons, the Tihum, fashioned from an Indian war canoe, bought the controlling interest in the vessel, and she was registered at the local customs house in his name. He made a successful sealing cruise in the vessel, and was making preparations to go out again this season when Capt. J. Lomp made arrangements with him to take her out, and left last November for the southern coast, being unreported since then, until yesterday, when the news of the disaster reached the city.

The Chilean government has put a bill before parliament for granting an annual subsidy of £20,000 for five years to any steamship company which will guarantee to run steamers from Valparaiso to Panama in eight days.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Special to the Colonist

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Rain, wind southeast, 15 miles an hour. Out, steamer Greenwich, from Victoria for Callao.

Neah Bay, 8 a.m.—Anchored schooner Fred E. Sander.

Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy, wind east, 20 miles an hour. Out, schooner Fred E. Sander, towing.

(By Wireless)

Tatoosh, 9 a.m.—Light rain, wind southeast, 15 miles an hour. Barometer 30.25; temperature 40. No shipping. Schooner Fred E. Sander in bay at Neah Bay.

Estevan, 9 a.m.—Cloudy, wind southeast, sea making. Steamer Tees passed outboard at 6 a.m.

Pachena, 9 a.m.—Rainning, wind southeast. No shipping.

Tatoosh, 2 p.m.—Cloudy, wind southeast, 15 miles an hour. Barometer 30.22; temperature 41. Passed out at 9:25 a.m. schooner Fred E. Sander. Outside, bound in, a steamer.

Pachena, 2 p.m.—Thick, raining, wind southeast. No shipping.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Light rain, wind southeast, 13 miles an hour. Barometer 30.16; temperature 43. Passed inward at 1 p.m. steam schooner Charles Nelson from San Francisco for Seattle; at 5 p.m., a three-masted steamer with black hull, red stock, black top, clipped bow, steamer Chaminus and will arrive in port, probably this afternoon to load lumber for Suva and Levuka.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Thick, raining, wind southeast. No shipping.

Estevan 6 p.m.—Stormy with rain. Wind east. No shipping.

(By Government Wire)

Carmanah, 9 a.m.—Moderate southeast wind, rain. Barometer 30.15.

Carmanah, 1 p.m.—Fresh southeast wind, hazy; sea smooth. Barometer 30.15.

Carmanah, 6 p.m.—Moderate easterly wind, rain. Sea moderate. Barometer 30.10.

Cape Beale, 6 p.m.—Strong southeast wind, rain; sea making.

CANADIAN-AUSTRALIAN LINER FULLY DUE

Aorangi is Expected in Port To-
day From Antipodes—Has
Much Frozen Mutton

The R. M. S. Aorangi of the Canadian-Australian line is expected to reach port this morning from Sydney, via Brisbane, Suva and Honolulu, which port she left Thursday, February 6. The Aorangi, which has a large amount of frozen mutton, of which about 600 carcasses are to be landed here, as well as general cargo left Sydney, N. S. W., January 20; Brisbane, January 23; Suva, January 28 and Honolulu, February 6. L. S. Eaton, immigration officer appointed by the provincial government under the recently enacted immigration act, will meet the steamer armed with the forms to be filled by any immigrants arriving by the steamer who must write in English or a language of Europe before being allowed to land. It is improbable that any Japanese will arrive by the steamer, as the regulation of the federal government which provides that all Japanese or other immigrants must come direct from their place of birth or citizenship by continuous voyage.

The Mlowera, which is making her last voyage homeward from this port, reached Honolulu Saturday from this port is due at Suva Tuesday next. The steamer Moana will follow the Aorangi north, leaving Sydney next Monday. She will be followed by the new steamer Marama on March 16.

The next outward steamer for the Antipodes will be the Den of Ruthven, of the Alley line, leaving tomorrow, she is now loading lumber at Chaminus and will arrive in port, probably this afternoon to load lumber for Suva and Levuka.

The Mlowera, 5 p.m.—Thick, raining, wind southeast. No shipping.

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INVENTOR OF STEAM STEERING GEAR DEAD

James Macfarlane Gray, Who Gave
Valuable Machine To Steamers,
Passes Away

IN POOR CONDITION

U. S. Warship St. Louis Reported To
Have Been Strained By
Voyage

According to despatches from Val-
lejo, the United States battleship St.
Louis is not in a very good condition,
and the department authorities have
been petitioned to place her out of
commission, but this request has been
denied, as the ship was only recently
constructed in the east. Notwithstanding
this fact, the cruiser is said to
have been nearly pounded to pieces
while coming around from the Eastern
coast several months ago.

Although the St. Louis is a sister
ship of the Milwaukee, local officers
state that the Milwaukee, which was
constructed on this coast is a far bet-
ter ship. It is thought, however, that
after her target practice is completed,
the St. Louis will be placed out of
commission with the Colorado of the
Big Four Squadron, which is also said
to be in a bad condition and their
crews transferred to the battleships

of the Minotaur over to 25 de-
grees, but with steam, two men suf-
ficed to put the helm over 35 degrees
in 16 seconds.

STEAMERS FROM KOBE HELD AT QUARANTINE

Epidemic Continues At the Japanese
Port—Victims Conceal Illness
From Officials

WRECK OF SATSUMA

Japanese Schooner Went Ashore Last
November—Crew Encamped on
Beach Since

Further advices from Juneau re-
garding the wreck of the Japanese
schooner Satsuma maru of Hakodate,
which drove ashore near Yakuat, say
that Capt. Fuji and 19 Japanese es-
caped from the vessel and are en-
camped on the beach. The schooner
was wrecked November 15 and the
shipwrecked Japanese were unable to
make their plight known for some
months. Capt. Fuji is a passenger
bound to Seattle on the steamer Jeanie
from Valdes.

EMPEROR OF CHINA MAKES FAST PASSAGE

Gains One Day And Will Pay But One
Day's Fine—Monteagle
En Route

The R. M. S. Empress of China of
the C. P. R. Oriental service reached
Hongkong yesterday at 6 p. m. with
the Overseas Mail, three days behind
her schedule time. She left Vancouver
four days late, having been delayed
awaiting the mails, which were
brought across by the Atlantic by the
Alban liner Corsican, which made a
protracted passage. The Empress of
China made up one day on the voyage
to Hongkong. As two days are given
beyond the schedule time of the
steamer for the delivery of the mails,
the company will have to pay a fine
for one day's delay—£500.

The steamer Monteagle, of the C. P.
R., the next inward vessel of the line,
left Yokohama for this port on Saturday
last, and is due here February 22. She has a small complement of
passengers, and a large cargo. The
steamer Tosa maru, of the Nippon
Yusen Kaihatsu, left Yokohama three
days before the Monteagle, and is due
here February 20. The Tosa maru has
the smallest complement of pass-
engers and lightest freight for this
port brought by any of the Japanese
liners for some time, only 47 pass-
engers and 165 tons of freight. The
steamer Ningchow, of the Blue Fun-
nel line, left Yokohama February 6,
and is due here on the same date as
the Tosa maru, with 900 tons of gen-
eral freight for local merchants.

The R. M. S. Empress of Japan left
Hongkong yesterday for Victoria, via
the usual ports of call, and is due on
March 1.

After failing to make agreement for
withdrawal of C. P. R. steamer
Cut Was Made

This afternoon at 3 p. m., or thereabouts
the old steamer Rosalie will be
back again on the Victoria-Seattle
route, after an absence of some years,
the Alaska Steamship company having
brought the Chippewa and replaced her
with the smaller steamer, coincident with cutting the fare to 50
cents. So far the Canadian Pacific
Steamship company has not seen fit
to make any change, the officials stat-
ing that the average travel will be

readily pay \$2 to travel on the steamer
Princess Royal as 50 cents to travel
by the Rosalie. It is understood the
Rosalie is to be used for a month,
while the Chippewa undergoes an
overhauling, and then that steamer
will be returned to the route, the fare
arranged for the Chippewa being,
probably, about \$1 each way.

Although the C. P. R. Steamship
company has not yet given any sign
of entering a rate war with the Alaska
Steamship company, it is generally
considered that with the spring travel
about a month hence there will be a
rate war. The steamer Princess Royal
will probably remain on the service
until needed for the Skagway service
in April, when the steamer Princess
Victoria will again enter the service.

A short time ago, it seems, Joshua
Green, manager of the Alaska Steam-
ship company's service, came to Vic-
toria and endeavored to make an ar-
rangement with the C. P. R. to withdraw
the steamer Princess Royal from the
route. Mr. Green held that there
was not sufficient business for two
steamers, and he was willing to aban-
don the use of the wharf built for his
company if the C. P. R. would withdraw
the Princess Royal, or to consider any pro-
position to that end. Mr. Green said
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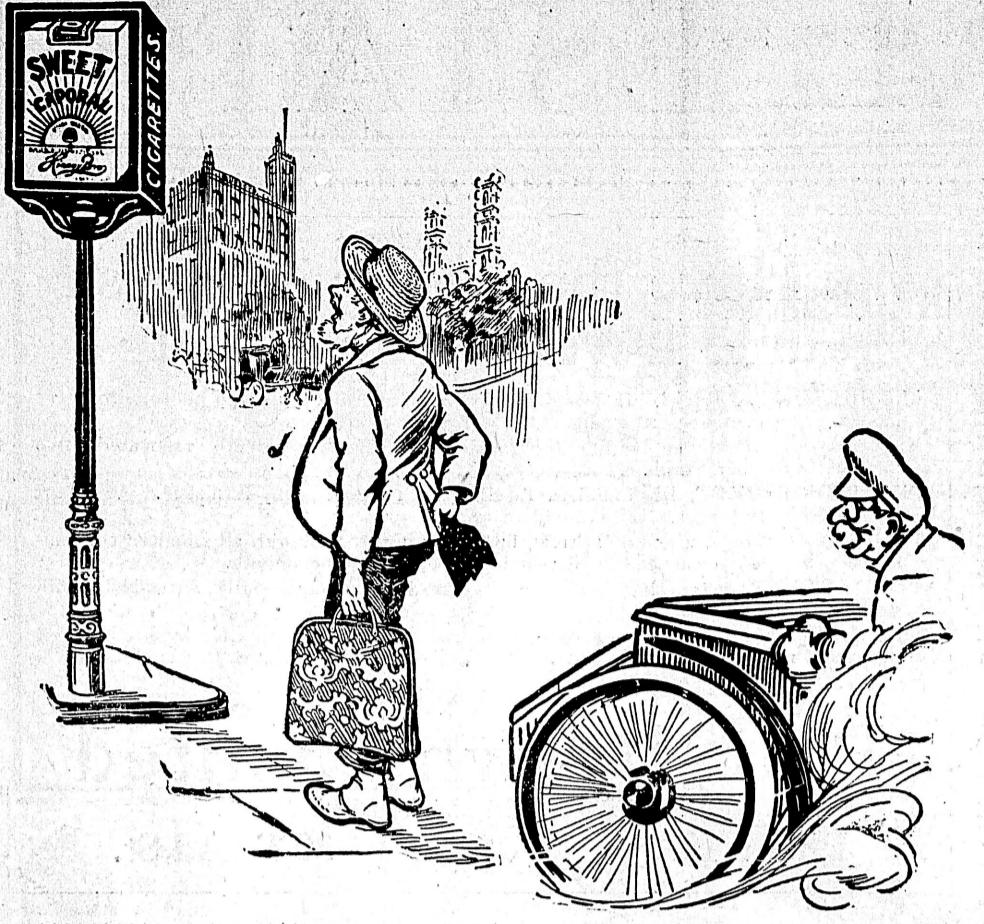
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ROLL CALL OF PYTHIANS

Victoria Lodge Hold Interesting Session—In Exceptionally Good Financial Condition

A feature of the regular session of Victoria Lodge, No. 17, Knights of Pythias, held last evening was a "roll call," which was attended by upwards of ninety members out of a total membership of 185. In opening the ceremonies the chairman, A. Rusta, P. C., after paying a tribute to the deceased members, gave a brief but interesting history of the lodge from its inception, stating in part, that it was organized on August 3, 1893, with a membership of twenty-one, and had, by dint of perseverance of its members reached its present successful condition. In its existence the lodge has paid out in relief and sick benefits upwards of \$15,000, and has now assets of the value of \$6,000, and no liabilities. After the roll call refreshments were served, and a programme consisting of songs, recitations and speeches was rendered.

McPHILLIPS' BILL IN COMMITTEE

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House Adjourns.

On motion of the hon. the premier, the house adjourned at 5:20 o'clock.

Questions For Ministers.

Dr. Hall, Nelson, today will ask the following questions of the chief commissioner of lands and works:

1. What municipalities pay to the government fees for water for domestic use? And for power. 2. What is the amount received by the government from each municipality water fees for domestic use? 3. Are there any municipalities in the province which have an intention of the government to exempt municipalities from taxation on water records for consumption for domestic use? And for power or light purposes?

Mr. Oliver will today ask the following questions of the chief commissioner of lands and works:

1. What quantities of coal were purchased by the government during the year 1907 at each of the following points: Nanaimo, Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster? 2. What price was paid per ton (state whether short or long ton) in each case? 3. Who supplied the coal in each case? 4. Were tenders for the supply of coal called for? 5. If not, why not?

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1. What municipalities pay to the government fees for water for domestic use? And for power. 2. What is the amount received by the government from each municipality water fees for domestic use? 3. Are there any municipalities in the province which have an intention of the government to exempt municipalities from taxation on water records for consumption for domestic use? And for power or light purposes?

Mr. Oliver will today ask the following questions of the chief commissioner of lands and works:

1. What quantities of coal were purchased by the government during the year 1907 at each of the following points: Nanaimo, Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster? 2. What price was paid per ton (state whether short or long ton) in each case? 3. Who supplied the coal in each case? 4. Were tenders for the supply of coal called for? 5. If not, why not?

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(Continued from Page Two) has now their claims under consideration.

Notices of Motion.

Mr. Bowser to move, in committee of the whole on bill No. 33, entitled An Act to Enable the City of Nelson to Borrow Eighty-five Thousand Dollars for Electric Light and Power Purposes, to insert after section 2 the following:

"3. This act shall come into force upon proclamation by the Lieutenant-governor in council."

On Monday next, Mr. Macdonald to

INCREASES POWERS OF MUNICIPALITIES

Bill Amending the Municipal Clauses Act Introduced Into the Legislature

Sweeping powers are granted municipalities by a bill amending the Municipal Clauses act which was introduced and read a first time by the legislature yesterday. Some twelve amendments in all are proposed.

The chief provisions of the bill are as follows:

This act may be cited as the "Municipal Clauses Act Amendment Act, 1908."

Section 50 of chapter 32 of the Statutes of 1906, being the Municipal Clauses act, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sub-section:

"(14a.) For negotiating agreements with any company or persons authorized by statute to supply or supplying electric light or power or telephone facilities within the municipality, for the placing of wires underground in streets, and for the removal of existing poles and wires from the streets within the municipality, or within any specified portion thereof; to make any specified arrangement as to the cost or the proportion of the cost to be borne by the municipality; to enter into and give effect to any such agreement; to assess and levy and collect the cost of the work or such portion as is to be borne by the municipality, on the lands and improvements in the municipality, or in such specified area, in the same manner and with the like incidents, as special rates are assessed, levied and collected under this act; and for digging up or authorizing and empowering the digging up of the roadbed of any road, street, lane, alley or thoroughfare under the jurisdiction of the council, and the construction, maintenance, repair, altering and renovation of tunnels and conduits for electric light or power or telephone cables and wires, fittings and apparatus; and for the entry upon lands and real property for the purpose of making any necessary surveys, particulars, and specifications, with or without the consent of the owners or occupiers, and the municipality is hereby empowered to enter upon any of the said lands within the said city and dig the ground and construct tunnels and underground conduits and to carry wires, cables and necessary fittings, and apparatus therein, and to place poles upon the said lands, and to attach thereto wires and other telephone apparatus and to affix the same to buildings and other improvements upon said lands and to carry such wires over and across such lands and improvements, and to operate, maintain, alter and replace the same, and for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, operation, alteration and maintenance and repair to, from time to time, enter upon the said lands, and for the exercise of any of the powers hereby granted the municipality shall pay such compensation as may be agreed upon, or in the event of failure to agree, shall pay such compensation as shall be determined by arbitration in the manner directed by section 251 and the sub-section of the Municipal Clauses act. And every owner or occupier shall, upon payment or tender of the sum awarded, execute to the municipality a proper grant of the right and easement in respect of which such compensation is made, the terms of such grant to be, in case of dispute, settled by the arbitrators in any subsequent award which they are hereby authorized from time to time to make, and any power of entry, easement or right thereby given may, under the terms and conditions to be declared by law of the municipality, be delegated or granted to any such electric light, power or telephone company, and after such delegation or grant such company shall and may have and exercise all or any of the rights, powers and privileges which are hereby given to the municipality.

(14b.) In city municipalities of over ten thousand inhabitants, such regulations as the good of the inhabitants of the city requires, not specifically provided for by this section and sub-sections.

(14c.) To regulate the placing of poles and wires and the replacing of poles in case of permanent sidewalks or permanent work, and with due regard to existing contracts to compel wires to be placed underground in certain specified localities and along specified streets and bridges.

By adding at the end of sub-section (5) of said section 50 the following words:

And to regulate dance-halls, skating-rinks, and all places of amusement, with power to prohibit same in certain portions of the city where the existence of the same will diminish the value of assessable residential property.

To add the following new sub-sections to said section 50:

(72a.) The adulteration of food stuffs, and to make regulations for the suppression of adulteration prejudicial to the purchaser, or prejudicial to the health of the consumer, and for the appointment of an inspector.

(72b.) To establish, construct, maintain and operate a public incinerator; to compel owners or occupiers of such premises to have brought to such public incinerator all trade waste, house garbage, rubbish and any noxious, offensive or unwholesome material or substance upon the premises of such owners or occupiers; to define what shall be deemed trade waste; to establish a scale of charges payable by such owners or occupiers for the removal to the public incinerator of such trade waste, garbage and material, and for the destruction of same, and for compelling payment of the charges so fixed, and for imposing penalties for neglecting to remove, or have removed and brought, to the public incinerator such trade waste, garbage and other matter.

(72c.) To expropriate, in all cases where lands and real property which forms part of a street or highway of any city, and no person or corporation who shall hereafter enter into possession or occupation of land forming part of any such street or highway shall, whether the possession of the person claiming or his ancestors or predecessors in title, or of the predecessors of a corporation, by virtue of such possession, be deemed to have acquired, or shall acquire, any right or title thereto, whether by prescription or common law, or by virtue of any statute or limitation heretofore or now in force."

7. Said chapter 32 is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:

"(24a.) The council of any city municipality may enter upon any land shown on any plan at any time hereof or now registered, deposited, recorded or filed in the land registry as a street, lane or alley, whether for public use or for the use of any more owners, and may construct thereon any sewer or drain or other work for public use and as from the registration in the land registry of a plan showing any such street, lane or alley, the said street, lane or alley shall, at the election of the council, to be exercised by bylaw, be and become subject to the jurisdiction in all things of the council as if a public street, lane or alley expressly dedicated to public use. And no such owner or other person interested in the land shall be entitled to compensation for such entry, construction or other exercise of jurisdiction."

5. Section 175 of said chapter 32 is hereby amended by adding the following sub-section:

"(30a.) From every person carrying on a city municipality a retail business in a department store, for every distinctive line of goods, not exceeding the maximum tax hereunder for license on retail trader: Provided, that the municipal council shall, before imposing the above tax, by bylaw determine what lines of goods may be sold in one retail store under one license, and such council shall have regard to well established local custom."

6. Said chapter 32 is further amended by adding thereto the following section:

"(24b.) The council of any city municipality may in upon and over public streets, highways and wharves, in exercise of the powers by this act conferred, with the assent of the electors pursuant to section 75, construct, maintain and operate lines of rails and street railways, and dispose of, lease, alienate or grant running rights over the same."

8. Said chapter 32 is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:

"(24c.) No person or corporation now in possession of land which forms part of a street or highway of any city, and no person or corporation who shall hereafter enter into possession or occupation of land forming part of any such street or highway shall, whether the possession of the person claiming or his ancestors or predecessors in title, or of the predecessors of a corporation, by virtue of such possession, be deemed to have acquired, or shall acquire, any right or title thereto, whether by prescription or common law, or by virtue of any statute or limitation heretofore or now in force."

9. Section 252 of said chapter 32 is hereby amended by adding the following sub-sections:

"(A.) No compensation shall be allowed for land or improvements encroaching upon a street or highway the freehold whereof was originally dedicated by the crown, or on Vancouver Island by the Hudson's Bay company."

"(B.) No compensation shall be allowed for land encroached upon from a street or highway the freehold whereof was originally dedicated by the crown, or on Vancouver Island by the Hudson's Bay company."

10. Section 256 of said act is hereby amended by inserting the following sub-section:

"(13a.) The powers and regulations in sub-sections (6) to (13), inclusive, relating to drainage and sewerage works, shall be deemed to refer and have relation to sewers carrying away sewerage, and drains for the carrying away of surface and other waters, and all and every the powers by such sub-sections given with relation to sewers, shall be applicable to all drainage works: Provided always, that this sub-section shall apply only to such municipalities as have heretofore, or shall hereafter, adopt a separate system of sewerage or drainage."

11. Sub-section (6) of said section 256 is hereby amended by inserting after the word "maintenance," on the second line, the following words: "during the estimated lifetime of the work of local improvement," and by striking out the word "thereafter," on the fourth line of such sub-section (6), and substituting therefor the words "during such estimated lifetime."

12. Section 256 of said act is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sub-section:

"(26) Whenever the council of any city municipality with over ten thousand inhabitants shall, by a three-fourth majority, resolve that any work of local improvement is imperatively urgent and needed, provided the city contributed one-half the cost, and the total costs do not exceed five thousand dollars, the requirements of sub-sections (22) and (23) shall be dispensed with in respect to such work."

ANNOUNCEMENTS IN OFFICIAL GAZETTE

Various Appointments Made—Order-in-Council Regarding Crown Lands

The following appointments appear in the current issue of the British Columbia Gazette:

William Ernest Banton, of the city of Enderby, to be a notary public in and for the province of British Columbia.

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Mainland News

VANCOUVER CHINESE KEEP WHITE SLAVES

Wretched Story Told By a Woman Who Had to Rescue Her Sister.

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—In an effort to rescue her sister, who was held in bondage in a Chinese opium den on Canton street, Bella Walker, one of the women from the restricted district who was driven out of the city, came back from Seattle and after an experience of physical torture seldom undergone by a woman, she succeeded in accomplishing her purpose.

She had to take up the opium habit, wear Chinamen's clothes and serve as a servant to her captors before she could secure the release of her sister. The rescue was effected under the cover of darkness, when through a clever ruse she was smuggled out into the open and to freedom.

Bella Walker found her sister in a small room, devoid of ventilation or other conveniences in the rear of an opium den. Escape was cut off in all directions, and the continual presence of Chinamen prevented her from making an attempt to flee. The letter she had written to Seattle begging her sister to come and release her from bondage was also smuggled out. The unfortunate girl was kept under the influence of opium most of the time.

But to get her sister free, Bella Walker had to stay herself. With her physical condition weakened by the continual use of opium which the Chinamen practically forced upon her, she was almost on the verge of collapse when the officers found her yesterday. The search for a man who shot Police Officer McLeod revealed her presence.

She was released and taken to the police station. Charged with being the keeper of a house of ill-fame, she pleaded not guilty, and her story told through counsel softened the heart of the magistrate, who allowed her to go on suspended sentence if she would get out of the city. "Remember if you come back there will be a sentence of six months waiting for you."

The woman presented a pitiable sight as she appeared in court and gave every appearance of being on the verge of physical collapse.

WALES ISLAND CANNERY

Vancouver Syndicate Buys Plant That Was Affected by Boundary Award

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—The Wales Island salmon cannery, which jumped into the illuminated circle when Lord Alverstone presented the United States with a large slice of British Columbia a few years ago, is to pass into the hands of Vancouver capital. A deal is now being closed for its purchase by a syndicate headed by Charles Windsor and M. Desbrisay. It is the intention of the buyers to operate the plant during the coming season.

Originally Wales Island, which is situated at the entrance to Portland canal, was a part of Alaska, and by the Alaskan Boundary award it was the only thing Canada received—baring the worst of the deal. On the island New Yorkers had erected and were operating a cannery, a two line plant, which for its size is rated as one of the best equipped on the coast. When the island was suddenly thrown into British Columbia the owners petitioned congress for indemnification, and they received \$33,000. Now they are selling out to the Vancouver people.

ROYAL CITY'S NEEDS IN VARIOUS LINES

Board of Trade at Annual Meeting Takes Up Public Questions

New Westminster, Feb. 13.—One of the most enthusiastic and largely attended meetings of the board of trade ever held was the annual session of that body in the city hall last evening.

Nearly half the total membership was present, and every one took a deep interest in the reports of the work accomplished during the past year and in the preparations for the ensuing year.

The idea of those present was how to accomplish more work, and several suggestions were made, the principal of which was the limiting of all standing committees to three members and that the consent of each member should be secured before it is appointed.

President W. R. Gilley, whose term of office expired last night, delivered an interesting address on the work of the board, touching particularly on the progress that is being made on the preliminary arrangements for extensive improvements to the river channel. His report was received with loud applause.

Secretary White reported that the board was in good financial standing the receipts amounting to \$674.50 and the disbursements to \$768.06, with cash on hand of \$290.33.

The chairman of almost every standing committee presented an encouraging report of the year's work in his particular department the most important report in scope being that of the municipal committee, which advised several recommendations to the city council. They outlined improvements in the city and included the boulevarding of Royal avenue, laying cement sidewalks on Columbia street, the extension of the fire limits, the appointing of a building-inspector, the cleaning and improvement of city streets generally, the granting of a license to a second gas company and endorsing the move made for the betterment of the telephone service. The recommenda-

tions were referred to the council of the board to deal with.

The election of officers was put through with despatch, there being no contests. Vice-president, J. A. Cunningham was elected president, J. A. Lee was selected as vice-president, and secretary A. E. White secured re-election. The chairman and members of the standing committees will be named by the three officers elected, and the draft will be submitted to the next meeting of the board.

The board endorsed a petition from Surrey municipality to the provincial government asking for the building of a new grade over the hill on the Yale road south of the river, the plans having already been submitted to the government.

A petition from the Vancouver Shipmasters' Association to the Dominion government asking for harbor improvements at Trail island, up the coast, was also endorsed.

The likelihood of the mail service down the river being discontinued owing to the Canadian Pacific Railway company dropping the contract was discussed and it was decided to take immediate action in the matter.

VANCOUVER HOSPITAL

Report For Past Year Shows Large Increase in Number of Patients Treated

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—The annual meeting of the governors of the Vancouver General hospital was held last evening. The reports reflected a year of unusual success and also forecast many improvements that will likely be made to the institution during the ensuing twelve months. Campbell Sweeny was in the chair and in his address he complimented the governors upon the progress that had been made in every department of the hospital work. The demands upon the hospital had been so great at times that in order to meet them the large basement room under the northeast wing was fitted up and used as a public ward for sixteen patients. Mr. Sweeny paid tribute to the tireless energy of J. J. Banfield, chairman of the house committee.

The board asked the city council to raise by way of debentures the sum of \$130,000 for the erection of the southeast wing and further necessary improvements. A wing will likely be added to the nurses' home. A by-law to provide the necessary funds was approved by the ratepayers when submitted.

Three isolation buildings were placed in operation during the year, and 190 contagious cases were treated since June. The work of the Woman's and Girls' auxiliaries received many expressions of appreciation. The Girls' auxiliary, with W. A. Bauer, donated private wards.

The annual report which was submitted contained many interesting facts and figures. The number of patients admitted in 1907 was 2,301, as compared with 1,313 in 1906. The average number of days which these patients spent in the hospital was 19.90, as compared with 21.10 in 1906. The ambulance made 415 trips—nearly twice as many as in the previous year—and the operations performed numbered 760. There were 135 deaths, compared to 79 in 1906, and the total number of indoor and outdoor patients was 2,592, compared with 1,668 in 1906. There were still 159 patients in Vancouver during the past winter. Complaints to the police department have been frequent, and in many instances the goods were not recovered.

Liberating Grilse

New Westminster, Feb. 13.—The work of liberating the young salmon from the government hatcheries in this district has commenced, and large numbers are being taken out daily to the Lillooet, Harrison and other rivers.

Ventured Back too Soon

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—Alice Murphy, one of the women from the restricted district who was sent out of town by Magistrate Alexander, returned and was last night put into jail for six months, the sentence which was passed upon her by the court.

Jail Overflows

New Westminster, Feb. 13.—The provincial jail in this city has become so crowded that a large number of the prisoners have had to be removed to Victoria. It is the only provincial prison on the lower mainland, and it is likely that it will be enlarged soon, or another built, probably near Vancouver.

Royal City Telephone Service

New Westminster, Feb. 13.—Ald. Fader, who was given power to act in an endeavor to secure an improvement of the telephone service in this city, is investigating a report that it is the intention of the company to install the equipment recently discarded in Vancouver in the new central office in this city. The report has not been denied by the company, and should be correct vigorous protests will be made to the company.

Another Fraser Steamer

New Westminster, Feb. 13.—The steamer Hamlin, which will likely be placed on a run between Chilliwack and Vancouver, with New Westminster as an important centre on the run, is almost ready for commission after undergoing extensive repairs. The Hamlin was operated on the same run several years ago by Capt. Bonsor, but owing to lack of finances she was withdrawn after a few months.

Japanese Injured

North Vancouver, Feb. 13.—Passengers reaching North Vancouver on the 10:15 ferry last night met a dozen Japanese carefully carrying one of their countrymen who had been injured at Lynn Creek. He was working at a shingle camp and was crushed by a tree, sustaining a broken leg and arm. The accident occurred about 5 o'clock and the Japs rigged up an improvised stretcher out of sacking and started to carry him in. With two lanterns to light the way they headed for town and it took them until a late hour to reach the wharf. This is the third or fourth accident of the kind among the Japanese shingle-boltenters in the Lynn Valley.

Coat Thief Sentenced

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—John Anderson was today sent to jail for 18 months for stealing three coats. He pleaded guilty to the charge before Magistrate Williams. Anderson comes from Tacoma and has been in Seattle. Anderson was arrested last night as he was trying to dispose of a coat. He aroused suspicion, and he confessed to the officers that he had stolen the coat, together with the coat he wore as well as another he had sold previously. The coats were stolen from the American hotel. There has been a lot of coat stealing in Vancouver during the past winter. Complaints to the police department have been frequent, and in many instances the goods were not recovered.

Anranging Lot 301

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—The civic finance committee yesterday afternoon recommended to the city council that the proposal for the annexation of district lot 301 to the city be favorably considered, providing the district was willing to come in without promise of special appropriations, etc., and the city solicitor was asked to further advise the council on the legal status of the question. The action followed an hour's discussion of the subject between members of the committee and a delegation of over fifty residents from district lot 301. Behind the presence of the delegation there appeared to be an untold story of disputes among the residents of the district. The majority were opposed to the proposition that lot 301 should be joined to South Vancouver municipality.

HOPELESSLY BANKRUPT

Northwestern Supply House Will Have No Balance to Pay Over to Creditors

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—The Northwestern Supply House, limited, which is now in liquidation, and the manager of which is under bonds to appear at the spring assizes to answer a charge of misappropriating money sent him by small order customers to whom he catered, is in a hopeless state, judging from the standpoint of the hundreds of creditors scattered throughout western Canada. Indications are that they will not receive a cent; indeed, the assets are not sufficient to pay the assignee's and bailiff's charges.

The Traders' bank, one of the largest creditors, was secured by the best collateral. Among the trade creditors are many of the wholesale houses of Winnipeg and eastern Canada, who supplied this institution with goods, no doubt without being aware of the methods of operation or the unfair competition it waged with reputable merchants throughout the west.

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Law For Tobacconists

Vancouver, Feb. 13.—Wah Yick Jung, a Chinese merchant of Shanghai street, was today fined \$50 and costs for selling tobacco without the necessary stamp. The accused set up the plea that the tobacco had been purchased in stamped packages originally, but that they had been split up into smaller ones for the convenience of customers. This story was not accepted by the court. Another Chinaman, Kong Yuen, was fined \$50 and costs for failing to comply with the trade license by law in the matter of sending returns into the police department. Divesto, who keeps a stand near the Wood's hotel on Carrall street, was assessed \$25 and costs for selling tobacco on Sunday contrary to the law.

General Arbitration

London, Feb. 13.—The subject of a general arbitration treaty, such as has just been concluded between France and the United States, has been mentioned in the course of the negotiations now going on regarding the submission to The Hague of the questions under discussion between Canada, the United States and Newfoundland. Great Britain, it was learned today, is hopeful that such an understanding will be brought about.

WANTS CONGRESS TO KNOW FACTS

Sentiment of Seattle Not Represented by Radical Element Of Exclusion League

In a communication to the Seattle Chamber of Commerce recently George C. Congdon, an attorney, asked that the committee on national affairs prepare a memorial to congress setting forth the true sentiment of Seattle on the industrial and commercial relations with the Orient. The committee was instructed to report at the next meeting.

"In view of the fact that memorial recently prepared and addressed to the congress of the United States," said Mr. Congdon, "by a body of men gathered from various parts of the Pacific coast, will be misleading as to the attitude of this community and the northwest toward Japan, unless steps are taken to counteract the statements made herein, I would suggest that the committee on national affairs be requested to take up the memorial in question and to prepare and report at the next meeting of the chamber an address which will tend to set forth the true attitude of this city on the commercial and industrial relations with the Orient."

Boycott Prepared.

"It will be remembered that the resolution adopted by the Seattle Chamber of Commerce March 20 last, when the San Francisco-Japanese school agitation was at its height, was the means of demonstrating to Japan that the entire coast did not entertain the rabid views promulgated from San Francisco, and thus prevented a boycott against American goods, which was being organized in Japan on an effective and far-reaching scale. The growth of commerce between Seattle and Japan, great as it has been in the past three years, is only in its infancy, providing we do not, by our own actions, destroy it and allow it to be transferred not only to other cities, but to other nations."

"I consider it of vital importance that this chamber take some steps which will prevent such a memorial as that prepared in Seattle last week from destroying the effect of the good work done by this organization in the past."

Want Men at Fairbanks.

The chamber of commerce of Fairbanks, Alaska, sent a letter to the Seattle chamber requesting that an endeavor be made to secure a reduction in second class steamboat fare to Valdez for the next sixty days. The letter pointed out that the Tanana mining district was badly in need of men and that if the fare north could be reduced more men would seek employment. It was said that from 2,000 to 5,000 could find work on the creeks in the Tanana district this summer and that unless the force of miners was materially increased before April 1 the gold output of the district would be curtailed.

The communication was referred to the committee on transportation for the purpose of laying the situation before the steamship companies.

The report of the committee on national affairs, to which was referred the protest of the people of Green Lake against the proposed removal of the post office was adopted.

The committee reported that the present post office station serves nearly 23,000 persons and its removal would be an incurable and uncalled for hardship upon them.

"The physical characteristics of the country in that vicinity," said the committee, "are such as to cut off about 6,000 persons between the carriers' routes and the city limits from gaining any service whatever from a station at Fremont, unless they walk four and a half miles to Fremont daily, which is prohibitive."

It was recommended that the chamber endorse the protest of the Green Lake people and to forward notice of the action of the chamber to Washington's congressional delegation and such other officials as may be in a position to act on the matter. The report was signed by Dr. M. A. Matthews, acting chairman of the committee.

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In the Matter of the Estate of Edward Lee, late of South Salt Spring Island, B.C., deceased.

All persons indebted to the estate of Edward Lee, deceased, are requested to pay the amount of their indebtedness forthwith to the undersigned, and all parties having claims against the said estate are requested to file a statement of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned, before the first day of April, 1908. After the said date the estate will be distributed amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the claims only of which the executors had notice.

Dated the 10th day of February, 1908.

JOHN CARTER MOLLETT,
WILLIAM HILL,
R. P. EDWARDS,
Executors.

South Salt Spring Island.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

TROOPS TO PRESERVE ORDER AT FAIRBANKS

Local Authorities Afraid of Strikers Using Violent Measures

Seattle, Feb. 13.—A despatch to the Post-Intelligencer from Fairbanks, Alaska, says: "U. S. Marshal Perry has sworn in 250 special deputies for the protection of life and property against the riotous mobs of strikers who are congregated on the streets. The mobs have been attempting to capture recent arrivals here with a view to deporting them. The marshal's force has dispersed the rioters, and guarantees protection to all men in camp. All saloons are closed."

Washington, Feb. 13.—By direction of the President, Acting Secretary of War Oliver today ordered a company of infantry from Fort Gibbons, in Alaska to Fairbanks, in that territory, to preserve order during the mining strike in that section. This action was taken upon representation from the United States court in Alaska to the Attorney General that the presence of federal troops was necessary.

Attorney General Bonaparte promptly brought the matter to the attention of the president, and, by his instruction, afterwards consulted with Acting-Secretary Oliver, who, through General Bell, chief of staff, forwarded the necessary orders for the movement of troops to the military commander at Fort Gibbons.

Telegrams from Fairbanks to the Attorney General say that open air mass meetings are being held by the striking miners, and threats of violence have been made. The marshal has been directed by the Attorney General to arrest law-breakers and to prevent intimidation. The military is expected to give the marshal moral support, and also take an active part should the disorder prove great. The striking miners have picketed the trail between Valdez and Fairbanks. Most of the newly arrived laborers are Russians.

The distance from Fort Gibbons to Fairbanks is 155 miles, and the troops will be carried by sleds over a route which is said to be a very good one. If there is urgent necessity for the presence of the soldiers at Fairbanks they can get there in four or five days, but under ordinary conditions the trip takes six or seven days.

Persons in Washington familiar with the conditions existing at Fairbanks say the trouble is the outcome of a strike a year or more ago for higher wages and shorter hours for the miners. This the operators have resisted in the determination to operate the mines independent of the Western Federation of Miners.

AMERICANS LOOK AT AUSTRALIAN FIELD

Report of Special Agent on Trade Conditions in the Colonies

Washington, Feb. 13.—A report on the trade conditions of the Australian colonies by Special Agent Burrill has been issued by the bureau of manufacturers of the department of labor and commerce. He says the imports of merchandise into that territory aggregate upwards of \$200,000,000 annually, much of which consists of manufactured and partially manufactured products.

The report lays particular stress on the importance of American manufacturers having personal representatives who are thoroughly American, as the United States cannot expect to compete with English and German goods of similar style and price if they are handled by Englishmen, Germans and Australians.

It would be well, it adds, for American manufacturers to abandon that part of the world as a mere dumping ground for goods not manufactured for that market. The competition is too keen. The agricultural implements of American and Canadian make practically control the markets of Australia, so far as imports are concerned, and with the rapid progress agriculture is making in Australia a further increase in the demand for agricultural implements is anticipated.

American windmills are in great demand, and now show a difference of approximately 20 per cent. in the cost in their favor over Australian windmills. A steadily expanding market in this line is expected.

In speaking of hardware and tools, Mr. Burrill says: Great Britain exports the greatest quantity of hardware to Australia, and American manufacturers must pay attention to specific needs in this line, before any great increase in our exports can be had."

CHARGES OF PERJURY

Former President and Secretary of Insurance Company Indicted by Grand Jury

New York, Feb. 13.—Indictments alleging perjury were returned today against the ex-Governor of New Jersey, Foster M. Voorhees, and Frank H. Combes, following a grand jury inquiry into acts of these two men while they were officials of the Bankers' Life Insurance company. Pleadings to the indictments will be made probably on Friday.

The special grand jury for New York county, which is investigating a multitude of the big financial transactions, made an inquiry into the field of life insurance two weeks ago. The today's findings are the outcome. The Bankers' Life Insurance company went out of the business some time ago. The indictments have to do with acts committed prior to 1905, while Voorhees was president and Combes the secretary of the company. In the indictments, which are similar to one returned against each, it is charged that in 1904 the president and secretary swore falsely in setting forth in a report to the state insurance department that certain liabilities were not due to policyholders.

The Bankers' Life Insurance company was reorganized later in 1904, and the new officers placed before the state insurance department certain matters

which came to their attention. In turn the charges were turned over to District Attorney Jerome and laid before the grand jury. The company's headquarters are in this city, but the indicted men are residents of New Jersey.

Wholesale Slaughter.

Woodstock, Ont., Feb. 13.—A carload of live hogs was smashed in shunting today, and thirty of the sixty-three workers were killed.

Stanley and Minto in the Ice.

St. John, Feb. 13.—The government steamers Stanley and Minto are firmly stuck in the ice in Northumberland Straits. They left Pictou and Georgetown yesterday and are hard fast.

Machine Shops Burned.

Fishkill Landing, N. Y., Feb. 13.—Fire tonight destroyed the roundhouse and machine shops of the Central New England Railroad company here. The loss is estimated at \$300,000.

Salaries Reduced.

Boston, Feb. 13.—President Lucius Tuttle, of the Boston & Maine railway, announced that a reduction in salaries of ten per cent. will be made, affecting all employees receiving over \$100 per month, to take effect at once. About 800 employees will be affected.

Severed An Artery.

New York, Feb. 13.—Lying across his bed in a position that showed conclusively that the deed was done with deliberation, J. Bosche, of Buffalo, committed suicide in the Astor house early this morning by severing the artery of the left arm with a razor. The motive for the deed is unknown. Bosche had been in the hotel since Feb. 5th. He is said to have been a member of the firm of Bosche Bros., manufacturing jewellers Buffalo.

Big Company in Trouble.

Springfield, Ohio, Feb. 13.—The Farmers' Co-operative Harvesting Company of America, a corporation organized by Wm. W. Whitley, known as the "Reaper King," went into the hands of a receiver tonight. C. S. Olinger, of this city having been named in that capacity by the court. The concern was incorporated five years ago, following the organization of the so-called binder trust, known as the International Harvester company.

Large amounts of stock were sold by Whitley's agents all over the United States, principally among farmers, and it is thought there is about \$350,000 of this stock outstanding. The liabilities are not given.

DRIVING FOR PARIS

Some of the Automobiles Pass Albany and Others Fail to Reach There

Albany, Feb. 13.—Four of the automobiles engaged in the New York-Pas de Siéria race had passed Albany at a late hour tonight. The American, one French and the Italian car reached here soon after noon, and went on west.

The first German car, that in which Lieut. Kopper, of the German army, is travelling, arrived here at 4 p. m. and will pass the night here, and will leave at 6:30 a. m. The other French car is reported as spending the night at Hudson, the second German car is said to be at Rhinebeck, opposite Kingston. All the cars have experienced great difficulty, with heavy snow drifts and soft roads.

Amsterdam, Feb. 13.—The French car in the New York-Pas de Siéria driven by St. Chaffrey, arrived here shortly before 7 o'clock tonight. St. Chaffrey will remain here until tomorrow. After the French car came the American and Italian cars, which proceeded on to Fonda, eleven miles to the west, where they will stop for the night.

Fonda, N. Y., Feb. 13.—The American and Italian cars arrived in Fonda tonight. The crews will rest here until tomorrow.

PORTE MAKES CONCESSION

Dispute With Exporters Over Licorice Root Duty Arranged by Compromise

Constantinople, Feb. 13.—The dispute of the government and the exporters of licorice root has now been adjusted, thanks to the intervention of the American embassy at Constantinople. Practically the monopoly of this trade is in the hands of an American firm, which has objected to the excessive duty charged on the roots. In order to facilitate the collection of this on this article, the government has fixed the tax, nominally 12½ per cent., at 2½ paras per oke, equivalent to one farthing per 300 pounds. With the recent decline in the price of licorice this inconsiderable charge represented practically 20 per cent. of the value of the root, and the company demanded either a reduction or leave to pay in kind.

The government refused the latter alternative, although provided for in the regulations a strong disinclination to grant a reduction, matters have been at a deadlock for some time past and the authorities have prevented any further shipments but as a result of the intervention of embassy agreement has been arrived at on the basis of a fixed duty of 1½ paras per oke.

Prohibition in Mississippi.

Jackson, Miss., Feb. 13.—The Senate today passed the statutory prohibition bill by a vote of 36 to 4. The bill is effective Dec. 13.

Raisuli to Go On Stage.

London, Feb. 13.—It is announced that there is a prospect of Raisuli, the Moroccan bandit, appearing on the stage in London.

General Carroll Dead.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 13.—Brigadier-General Henry Carroll, U. S. A., retired, a veteran of the civil war and of the Spanish war, died yesterday at his home in this city after a brief illness, aged 70. Death resulted from blood poisoning caused by an ulcerated tooth, and superinduced from the wounds in the Spanish war.

Takes Bank Presidency.

Washington, Feb. 13.—It is stated that what is believed good authority that W. B. Ridgeley, the comptroller of the currency, has decided to accept the presidency of the reorganized National Bank of Commerce, of Kansas City, which suspended payment during the late financial stringency. Mr. Ridgeley is now in New York arranging certain matters preparatory to his active control of the bank. Laurence Murray, now assistant secretary of the department of commerce and labor, it is understood, will succeed Mr. Ridgeley as comptroller of the currency.

Receiver For Railway.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 13.—On representations made by George A. Ferdinand & Co., a banking firm of Boston, the Chicago, Cincinnati & Louisville railway was placed in the hands of a receiver in the United States Circuit court late today. James P. Goodrich was appointed receiver, and after filing a bond of \$60,000, left tonight for Cincinnati to take charge of the property.

LAKE SUPERIOR SUIT

Toronto Lawyer Testifies That He Acts as Counsel for Both Corporations

New York, Feb. 13.—The hearing of the application of Charles T. Orvis and John T. Terry, representing the Canadian Improvement company, for an injunction to restrain J. Tathall Lee and others, Philadelphia bankers, and Kuhn Loeb & Co., of this city, from voting pledged stock of the Lake Superior Corporation, was continued in Jersey City today.

Newton L. Rowell, of Toronto, was asked when he delivered an agreement signed by Mr. Lee and others to renew the notes of the Canadian Improvement Co., but the question was deferred after argument. The witness testified, however, that he failed to get Mr. Lee to consent to a renewal of the notes without a transfer of the pledged stock, and that he told Lee that Orvis said it was not fair to insist upon the transfer.

Mr. Rowell has been referred to by attorneys in the arguments as "King's Counsel." He said he was counsel of the Lake Superior Corporation last month, when he was retained to go to Philadelphia to negotiate a renewal of the notes. He had represented the Canadian government, which loaned the Improvement Co. \$1,000,000, but he was at the present hearing counsel of the Lake Superior Corporation. He declared he could see no objection to his accepting the retainers of the Canadian company while also acting as counsel for the Lake Superior Corporation.

The hearing will continue tomorrow.

LANDED IN PRISON

American With Many Aliases Who Deceived and Defrauded Many Women

Bristol, Feb. 13.—Arthur Hyne, the man of many aliases, who has been on trial here charged with bigamy and fraud in connection with matrimonial advertisements, was today sentenced to seven years' imprisonment on the bigamy count and to five years for fraud. These sentences are to run concurrently.

Hyne pleaded guilty to both charges. He is a dentist with an American diploma. He is believed by many persons to be identical with George Witzhoff, or Albert Bessemer, or A. C. Weston, who several years ago married a number of women in America and then disappeared after having secured various sums of money from them.

He left the United States in the summer of 1905 and was arrested in England last month. He was said to have lived in Baltimore, Chicago, St. Louis and elsewhere, and to have married women wherever he went.

Empress of Britain In.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 13.—The C. P. R. Empress of Britain landed her mails at this port today and sailed for St. John at 8:40 p. m.

POINTS TO ONLY WAY TO FIGHT STANDARD

Congressman Rainey Would Put Petroleum on the Free List.

Washington, Feb. 13.—That the fight of the administration against the Standard Oil company "Was only a bluff," was asserted in the House of Representatives today by Mr. Rainey, of Illinois, who spoke at length on his bill placing on the free list petroleum, crude or refined products. He did not think it was possible, he said, to make a presidential campaign on the strength of a \$29,000,000 fine and some messages denouncing the Standard Oil. He had not heard of the fine being paid, and he said: "Its collection, like the revision of the tariff, had been postponed until after the election."

The real way and effective method of limiting the power of the Standard Oil, Mr. Rainey said, was to remove the tariff of 15 cents a gallon on petroleum. "Do that," he said, "and admit Russian oil free of duty, and you will have struck a blow at the Standard Oil organization. There was only one way to fight the Standard Oil company, he maintained, and that was to permit oil on the free list, and if the president is really sincere in his fulminations against the oil trust, he will recommend that remedy."

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Ohio and Mr. Taft

Secretary's Campaign Manager Makes Statement in Reply to Senator Foraker

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 13.—Arthur L. Vorys, manager of Secretary Taft's presidential campaign, arrived in the city to meet the secretary and talk over the situation. When his attention was called to the statement of Senator Foraker last night, that the Ohio primaries were so managed that none but Taft supporters could take part in them and Taft's victory is of no significance, Mr. Vorys carefully dictated the following statement:

"The struggle in Ohio, what little there ever was of it, is over. Every one in Ohio knows it, and I believe it is useless for anyone to attempt to make people in other states believe that Mr. Taft will not have the solid delegation, or that there was not a fair opportunity to make any contest at the primaries that any one desired to make in Ohio."

Gasoline Supplies

Nome, Alaska, Feb. 13.—The Nugget has made an investigation of the supply of gasoline in Alaska along the route of the New York-Pas de Siéria automobile racers. The newspaper finds that there is plenty of the liquid fuel to supply the six machines for the entire trip to the north. Caches of gasoline have been made along the trails the machines will take.

Takes Bank Presidency.

Washington, Feb. 13.—It is stated that what is believed good authority that W. B. Ridgeley, the comptroller of the currency, has decided to accept the presidency of the reorganized National Bank of Commerce, of Kansas City, which suspended payment during the late financial stringency. Mr. Ridgeley is now in New York arranging certain matters preparatory to his active control of the bank. Laurence Murray, now assistant secretary of the department of commerce and labor, it is understood, will succeed Mr. Ridgeley as comptroller of the currency.

Receiver For Railway.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 13.—On representations made by George A. Ferdinand & Co., a banking firm of Boston, the Chicago, Cincinnati & Louisville railway was placed in the hands of a receiver in the United States Circuit court late today. James P. Goodrich was appointed receiver, and after filing a bond of \$60,000, left tonight for Cincinnati to take charge of the property.

SHORTS ARE DRIVEN SHARPLY TO COVER

Stocks Not In Plentiful Supply—Drives Made At Some Groups

New York, Feb. 13.—The early stock market today presented evidence that an important proportion of the conspicuous selling which carried prices downwards on Monday, and again at the closing dealings on Tuesday, must have been rather reckless operations on the short side of the market.

When sellers felt compelled to cover today they found scarcity of stock offering, and a rather merciful upshot of prices. Almost full, as striking was the relaxed tone of the market when the needs of the uncovered bears had been satisfied. The inference pointed to is that while the genuine demand for stocks for the present is light the supply offering in liquidation is also scanty. There was no important selling such as would suggest the general inclination amongst owners to reduce their holdings of stocks. Very positive assertions today that the Union Pacific dividend would be reduced accompanied the free selling of that stock. The coalmasters also were conspicuous. Not a great deal of activity characterized the dealings, and the subsequent selling was preceded by a period of hesitation and dullness.

Unsettling factors were the pressure on American smelting and violent breaks in several of the Gould stocks, with no apparent support. Speculative operations in American Smelting are large at all times, and their motive is difficult to trace, but importance was attached to reports today of the retirement of a conspicuous engineer from the service of the controlling interests of the company.

The day's developments bearing on the general situation were not important. A fall in the price of copper both here and in London was an unit of the day that did not conduce to holding prices up.

That city bonds will be abundantly subscribed for is taken for granted, but more attention is being paid to the price. There was no revival of strength in the latter stock market.

Bonds were irregular; total sales, par value, \$2,092,000; U. S. bonds were unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

By F. W. Stevenson.

New York, Feb. 13, 1908.

Open. High. Low. Close.

Amal. Copper .48 1/4 49 1/2 47 3/4

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Interesting Week-End Bargain News

Send for Our New Spring and Summer Catalogue

Our new Spring and Summer catalogue is now ready, and will be gladly mailed to out of town residents, who send in their name and address. It is profusely illustrated, showing the most up to date styles in millinery, women's and men's ready to wear apparel, and also contains a splendid list of staple articles, hardware, furniture, hardware, kitchen utensils, stoves, ranges, groceries, etc., and will be found a most interesting and wonderful help to all out of town residents.

How About Your House Cleaning? Let us Give an Estimate

The time to be thinking about doing your house cleaning is now at hand, and there is no better way of having it done than with

The Vacuum House Cleaner

It is the most up-to-date system as yet known, no dirt or distasteful work necessary when having it done by this system. We are at present doing a number of houses, and we suggest that you put your order in as early as possible, owing to the season advancing. For particulars of this system ring up 1685, Carpet Department. You will find it most reasonable and satisfactory.

For the two remaining days of the week we have selected a specially interesting list of articles at special prices. Among these will be found many items which are recent arrivals of bright new and crisp merchandise.

The New Things Which are Daily Arriving Gives the Store an Atmosphere of Spring

The many new things that are daily arriving, brings to mind that Spring is close to hand. Every day sees something new unpacked. Most prominent among these are the beautiful new Waists, Skirts, Costumes and Men's Stylish Dress Shirts, and are priced very moderately compared with that of previous years.

Try Our Mail Order Service, It Is for You

You will find our Mail Order Service a most satisfactory one. Out of town residents is assured of the same satisfactory service and courteous treatment as if they were selecting their goods personally. Remember that our store is just as close to you as your nearest P. O. Box. A trained mail order staff sees to your wants, and uses the same discretion in buying as if it were for themselves. A trial will convince you that it is satisfactory in every way.

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High Grade Shoes For All Occasions at Money-Saving Prices

Shoes that have those little unusual touches in the construction and finish invariably please and are eagerly sought for, and that is the kind that is included in the sale that is at present going on. They are all high grade, being made by the most foremost manufacturers of America, and you cannot possibly go astray when purchasing your footwear while this offering lasts. Even if you do not want shoes at present it would be a good idea to purchase for future needs. Among this assortment are shoes for all occasions, and every member of the family can be fitted with entire satisfaction as regards the style, quality and value.

MEN'S SHOES — Regular values \$6 to \$7.50 for \$3.75 LADIES' SHOES — Regular values \$6.50 to \$7.00 for \$3.75
MEN'S SHOES — Regular value \$4.00 for \$2.50 WOMEN'S SHOES — Regular \$5.00 for \$2.50

Ladies' Smart Spring Walking Skirts Speci- ally Priced at \$3.75 to \$7.50



The new styles which have just arrived in Ladies' Fine Walking Skirts are just the kind that will suit women of taste. The tailoring throughout them is perfect and are guaranteed to be thoroughly shrunk, sponged and stitched with silk. They are in French Panamas, Venetian and English shrunk Cashmere, in all the new styles, including the 15-gore with pleats at each seam, also made with double box pleat down front and back, with circular-cut side and finished with Boston-cut fold. Others made with side panels and pleats, finished with button trimmings in colors of blue, black, brown, green and tweed mixtures specially priced for tomorrow at \$7.50 to \$3.75



Extra Special at 7:30 Tomorrow Night Men's New Stylish Spring Dress Shirts

MEN'S FANCY COLORED STRIPE AND CHECK PRINT SHIRTS, soft bosoms, with attached and detachable cuffs. Special at 7:30 tomorrow evening 50¢
MEN'S FANCY LIGHT STRIPE AND CHECK CAMBRIC SHIRTS, in the newest Spring Patterns, 7:30 tomorrow evening at 75¢
MEN'S FANCY STRIPE AND CHECK SHIRTS, soft pleated bosoms, detachable and attached cuffs, newest designs, at 7:30 tomorrow evening at 1.00
BOYS' FANCY STRIPE PRINT SHIRTS, with soft front and stiff and soft cuffs attached. Special tomorrow evening at 7:30 50¢

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Dainty White Lawn Spring Waists at \$1.75

The new shirt waist models for 1908 are remarkably pretty, and are the handsomest we have ever had on show at such a low price. That they will be worn by everybody there is no doubt, as this year's products fairly overshadow all previous ones. It is safe to say that never in the history of shirtwaists have the styles been so charmingly beautiful; especially you will find this condition prevailing in the style which we are showing at this price. They are made with a panel of embroidery and insertion centre down front, finished on either side with six rows of tucking and embroidery, long sleeves with deep, finished with beading and tucks. This is only one style of the many which we have, as you will find them diversified enough to suit every individual taste.

Special tomorrow at \$1.75



Smart Styles in Youths' Spring Suits Regular Values \$7.50 for \$5.75

Tomorrow we are making a splendid offering in Youth's Suits. These are the latest arrivals in snappy, up-to-the-minute styles, and are the kind that give us supremacy in supplying the wants of the young men. They are made of the finest materials, including imported and Canadian Tweeds, in the latest Spring Styles. Our Spring Suits for young men inspire confidence because they are correct. They are cut correctly, tailored perfectly and will fit accurately. Choosing a suit out of this assortment will be a very easy matter tomorrow. Regular values were \$7.50. Tomorrow \$5.75

SOME VERY ATTRACTIVE BARGAINS FOR TODAY

Clearance Sale of Fine Haviland China

Today we are placing on sale a beautiful assortment of Haviland China Dinnerware, and wish to direct your attention to our showing in Broad Street Windows. Haviland Chinaware is so well known that it is hardly necessary to write up much about it. It is all of high class goods, very prettily decorated with floral decorations.

MEAT DISHES, 12 in. size. Regular price \$1.00. Special today 50¢
CREAM JUGS. Regular price 10c. Special today 5¢
COUPE SALAD BOWLS. Regular price \$1.00. Special today 50¢
VEGETABLE DISHES. Regular price \$2.50. Special today 1.00
SOUP TUREENS. Regular price \$4.50. Special today 1.00
SUGAR BOWLS. Regular price \$1.00. Special today 50¢
BUTTER PADS. Regular price 10c. Special today 5¢

Open Stock Semi-Porcelain Dinnerware at Half Price and Less

Today will offer splendid opportunities for all those to match their present dinner sets with pieces from this assortment at a great saving. This lot is in assorted colors and decorations and are exceptionally good values.

Soup Bowls, regular price 25c, today 10¢
Oatmeal Dishes, regular price 15c, today 10¢
Bread and Butter Plates, regular price 15c, today 10¢
Dessert Plates, regular price 15c, today 10¢
Breakfast plates, regular price 20c, today 10¢
Tea Pots, regular price 75c, today 25¢
Soup Tureens, regular price \$3.50 to \$6.00, today \$1.00
Meat Dishes, large size, regular price \$2, today \$1.00



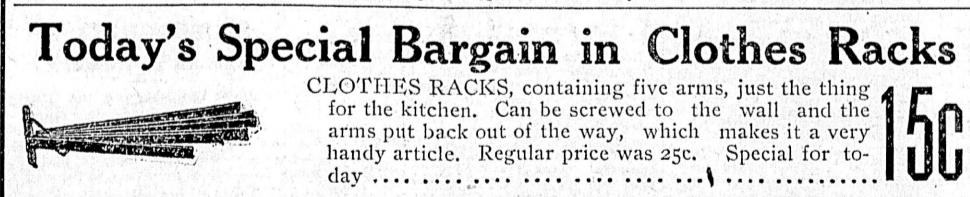
Toilet Sets Special

TOILET SETS marked at remarkably low figures is one of the leading attractions for tomorrow. These are in assorted decorations and are regularly sold at \$4.75 per set, but for today we have marked them at, per set \$3.90



Kneading Pans Specially Priced

25c SPECIAL FOR TODAY Today we are offering splendid bargains in Kneading Pans. These are covered and are made of heavy planished tin, very strongly made, with handles on the side. Large size, regular value 50c, Special for today 15c



Today's Special Bargain in Clothes Racks

CLOTHES RACKS, containing five arms, just the thing for the kitchen. Can be screwed to the wall and the arms put back out of the way, which makes it a very handy article. Regular price was 25c. Special for today 15c



Correct New Models in Ladies' Spring Costumes Faultlessly Tailored

The new arrivals in Ladies' Fine Hand-tailored Spring Costumes show in every fold of their beauty the touch of a master hand. Only on seeing them can you realize their newness and full attractiveness. All through this new stock of Women's Tailored Wear you will find originality of style and excellence of tailor work to an unusual degree. The showing which is to be seen here represents fully the very latest styles, more charming and exclusive than ever shown before. The materials they are made of is fine quality Chiffon, Broadcloth, Panamas, Venetian and Tweed effects, while the styles are in tight and semi-fitting. Prices range from \$7.50 to \$35.00

Other Bargains For Today

Imperfect Linens, Axminster Carpets, New Madras Muslins and Corset Covers Marked Low

EXTRA SPECIAL — Ladies' Trimmed Hats, felt shapes with bows and wings Today \$1.50

DAVID SPENCER, LTD.

Today for Hearth Rugs and Mats

We give unusual prominence to Hearth Rugs and Mats today, when every Rug in stock will be on sale at tempting reductions.

English Axminster Rugs Go Down

24 Axminster Rugs in deep rich pile, have floral and Oriental designs, size 36 inches x 72 inches. Regular price, \$4.50 each. Today sale \$3.40

20 Rugs in extra heavy (wool back) Axminster in choice designs, size 32 x 66. Regular price, \$6.75. Today's sale, each \$5.40

Mohair Plush Rugs

This dependable rug is too well known to need more than to mention that every rug in stock goes on sale as follows:

Size 12 x 30: Regular, \$1.25. Today \$1.00

Size 18 x 36. Regular, \$2.25. Today \$1.80

Size 27 x 54. Regular, \$6.75. Today \$5.40

Reversible Smyrna Rugs

Size 30 x 50. Regular, \$4.00, for \$3.20

Size 36 x 72. Regular, \$4.50, for \$3.60

Size 36 x 72. Regular, \$5.00, for \$4.00

Axminster, each \$1.50

Other Bargains For Today

A Splendid Choice of Money-Saving Articles in the Housewares Section

EXTRA SPECIAL — Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, Regular Values 35c Today 25c